THE WEATHER

Fair and warmer tonight; Saturday rain; moderate variable winds.

THE LOWELL SUN

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FRENCH BATTLESHIP SUNK

"AMERICA FIRST" SLOGAN AT LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE BANQUET

The slogan of the board of trade at the Kasino last evening was "America First" and the spirit of it permeated the addresses, the music, the decorations and everything else connected with the occasion. Almost 400 members of the local body were present and there was not a dull moment from the signal to enter the banquet hall until the last strains of the "Star Spangled Banner" died down.

George W. Perkins of New York, head of the International Harvester trust and prominent in the councils of the progressive party and many other activities spoke on "The Development and Protection of American trade, Domestic and Foreign" and H. H. Wheaton of the bureau of education of the department of the interior at Washington spoke on the immigrant question under the title "Americanizing America."

A great number of American flags were used in the decoration of the hall

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THE SUFFREN WITH 700 MEN ON BOARD LOST

Anchor Line Steamship Caledonia, One of Crack Ships of Fleet, Sunk —Other Ships Lost

PARIS, Dec. 8, 2 p. m.—The battleship Suffren which left port on Nov. 24, has not been heard from since and the minister of marine considers the vessel lost with all on board.

The Suffren sailed for Lorient, a French naval station in Brittany.

The French battleship Suffren displaced 12,750 tons. Her normal complement was 730 men. She was 414 feet long and 70 feet of beam, and was laid down in 1899. She was armed with four 12-inch; ten 6.4-inch and eight 4-inch guns, twenty-two 3-pounders and four torpedo tubes.

Last year the Suffren took part in the bombardment of the Turkish forts at the Dardanelles. She entered the straits to attack Turkish batteries, and, according to an official Turkish announcement, was damaged seriously and withdrew in flames. She was sent back to Toulon for repairs.

LINER CALEDONIA SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 8, 4.20 p. m.—The Anchor line steamship Caledonia of 9223 tons gross, is believed to have been sunk, says an announcement made today at Lloyds shipping agency.

The steamship Caledonia has for some time been in the service of the British government. The vessel was built at Glasgow in 1904.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The Caledonia was formerly in the passenger service between New York and Glasgow, one of the crack ships of the Anchor line fleet. The local offices of the line said today that they had heard nothing of the vessel since she was commandeered for government service in August, 1914. They had no word of her destruction other than that contained in press despatches. The ship is registered as commanded by Capt. Blaikie.

MORE SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 8. — Lloyds shipping agency announces that the Belgian steamer Kelzer and the Norwegian steamer Meteor have been reported sunk and their crews landed.

The Belgian steamer Kelzer is not listed in available records. The Norwegian steamer Meteor was last reported leaving Philadelphia Nov. 24, for London.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE HELD AT STATE NORMAL SCHOOL TODAY

A very important conference of school superintendents and members of school boards from Lowell and the towns about Lowell was held today from 10 a. m. until 3.30 p. m., at the state Normal school, under the direction of Francis G. Wadsworth, agent of the state board of education. The purpose of the conference was to put before those present the approved procedure in school administration, to establish uniform practices throughout the commonwealth in the conduct of school business, and to define the powers of the several administrative officers in a public school system. The three main topics discussed were: "Powers and Duties of School Committees," "Improvement of School Su-

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DRINK CAUSE OF THEIR TROUBLE

Levi Gagnon and Michael F. O'Hare were each sentenced to four months in the house of correction at East Cambridge this morning by Judge Enright after he found them guilty of the larceny of a raincoat valued at $12; a bag $3, and a can of soup which sells for ten cents, from Belle Watson.

Gagnon and O'Hare have been drinking heavily of late and yesterday they went to 32 John street to visit one Sam Paul. Several bottles of whisky were emptied by the trio and

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PRETTIEST GIRL IN TOWN

Mayor James E. O'Donnell is now confronted with one of the most difficult tasks that he has been asked to consider since the beginning of his administration. This morning he received a letter requesting him to apoint a girl to represent Lowell at the Patriotic bazaar to be held in New York city this month. From girls representing cities and towns in all parts of the country the prettiest and most popular will be selected to represent "Miss Preparedness."

Mayor O'Donnell when questioned said that he would not attempt to choose the prettiest girl in Lowell. There are too many beautiful girls in Lowell to make any effort to attempt such a selection, he said, and he was afraid that if this city is represented at the bazaar somebody else will have to do the picking. As a judge at a masquerade party this week Mayor O'Donnell, with others, chose the prettiest girl present but found that a difficult proposition.

The letter received as printed here and anyone desiring to enter the contest should call upon the mayor:

December 7th, 1916.

Hon. James E. O'Donnell,
Mayor, Lowell, Mass.

Sir, The prettiest and most popular girl in the United States is desired to represent "Miss Preparedness," rivaling "Miss Columbia," in patriotic fame.

You should appoint a representative from your city, as others are doing.

Each young lady selected in the various cities and towns to be in attendance daily at the bazaar where the final selection will be made and her picture and biography will be published throughout the country on Sunday, December 24th.

This is offered with no expense except cost of your winner and chaperone in New York during the bazaar period.

Contestants will not be "on exhibition" but will be asked to sell goods and chances at a "Miss Preparedness" booth, each wearing a sash bearing the name of her city.

Very truly yours,

A. P. V. Story, Executive Secretary.

Pawtucket School

Work on the $50,000 addition to the Pawtucket school is progressing rapidly according to Commissioner James E. Donnelly. The construction has now reached the first floor and indications are that the job will be completed as soon as was expected. Two coal pockets have been completed and the work of installing the new boilers has been started. The addition will consist of 10 rooms.

Tax Income Assessor

Joseph E. Perry of Belmont, tax income assessor for Middlesex district, was a visitor to Lowell this forenoon and called upon the newly appointed deputy, J. Henry Gilbride, at the assessor's office. Arrangements for the beginning of the work were made.

Would-Be Chauffeurs

Twenty-three candidates for chauffeur's licenses were examined in this city today. The examiners were Messrs. Hubble and Leary of the highway commission.

TWO SUITS AGAINST RILEY ESTATE

Two suits, both actions of contract, brought by Patrick Mulligan of Lawrence and John Kettell of Lowell, against the estate of P. J. Riley, were tried jointly before a jury in the local session of superior court today. Daniel J. Donahue appeared for the plaintiffs and the Riley estate was represented by James C. Reilly.

Both of the plaintiffs formerly worked for P. J. Riley and Mr. Kettell is now employed by the estate. Mr. Kettell, who is a brother of Mrs. Riley, started to work for the late P. J. Riley in 1905. He was to receive $20 per week, he said, but Mr. Riley told him that he was short of money and asked him to wait for his pay. Witness said that he has struggled along over the period beginning in 1907, on about two dollars per week. He lived at the Riley home. Kettell alleges that the Riley estate owes him $1368 for 342 weeks' work, beginning on October 16, 1907, and ending in October, 1913.

Mr. Mulligan seeks to recover in the sum of $1405 for wages and money alleged to have been loaned Mr. Riley. This plaintiff, who is a cousin of Mrs. Riley, claims that the Riley estate owes him $200 for 25 weeks' pay at $12 a week and $1105 for money loaned between November, 1910 and August, 1913.

The jury reported in both cases shortly before noon and found for the plaintiffs, awarding the full claims with interest. The verdict in Mr. Kettell's case was $1918.27 and in Mr. Mulligan's $1552.03.

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Imported Velour Hats
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Delorme, The Hatter
Fur caps relined and blocked in the latest style. Also hats made to order.
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CHALIFOUX'S ON THE SQUARE
HAT HAT HAT
And there's something to that! The importance of a hat in the affairs of men has increased with a rapidity that put the high cost of living to shame. It's rather a peculiar style year in hats. Your old one can almost pass as stylish, but you'd better keep it dark or someone will find you out. To be really in style, let us crown your winter get-up with a hat. P. S.—How about a hat for a Christmas gift.

HOTEL NAPOLI
Friend St., Boston
Table D'Hote Lunch, 11 to 3.....50c
Table D'Hote Dinner, 5 to 9.....75c
Daily Combinations.....45c
Signor Pallidino's Orchestra
Open Till Midnight

MORE RUMANIANS ARE CAPTURED BY TEUTONS

Further important captures of Rumanian troops are announced today by Berlin in the work of gathering in prisoners. The total for which figures are given, including a force of 8000 trapped in western Wallachia, the fate of which was a foregone conclusion, is approximately 18,000 men, together with 26 guns.

Cutting Off Ruman Forces

In addition, however, the German war office reports the cutting off of the Rumanian forces which were operating in the Predeal and Altchanz pass regions along the Rumanian northern frontier. These troops were prevented from successfully retreating by the swift drive of the invaders to the south across the Ploechti-Bucharest railway line which took them in the rear and the most of them already have been captured.

Russo-Rumanians Retreat

The situation north and east of Bucharest, following the surrender of the capital, has not yet been clarified by the official reports. Seemingly the Rumanians and such Russian troops as were aiding them are still on the retreat northeastward, rapidly leaving the remainder of southeastern Wallachia in the hands of Field Marshal von Mackensen and military commentators for the most part do not expect a stand to be made by the Rumanians before the line of the Buzeu river is reached.

This line virtually closes the neck of the province of Moldavia, running eastward from the Rumanian frontier to Galatz on the lower Danube, near the Bessarabian border. It is regarded as a strong defensive line and one easily susceptible of reinforcement from Russian sources.

French Re-take Trenches

On the Franco-Belgian front the only recent operation of note has been in the Verdun region, where the Germans yesterday claimed the capture of the summit of Hill 304 west of the Meuse. Today Paris announces that the Germans have been driven from "a section of the trenches on the eastern slopes of Hill 304," which they had occupied.

Bulgars and Serbs in Battle

In Macedonia the Bulgarians are violently contesting the efforts of the Serbians to make further advances east of Monastir. Paris reports heavy counter attacks on the Serbian positions in the Struma region, east of the Cerna, on Wednesday night which are declared to have been sharply repulsed.

TWO ITALIAN SEAPLANES WERE IN RAID OVER TRIESTE

ROME, Dec. 8, via Paris—Two Italian seaplanes raided Trieste on Thursday, according to an official statement issued by the admiralty. The statement says the raiders dropped five bombs on naval sheds and returned unharmed, although subjected to a heavy fire from the Austrian anti-aircraft guns.

KAISER CONGRATULATES KING OF BAVARIA ON FALL OF BUCHAREST

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 8, via London—An official announcement from Berlin makes public the following congratulatory telegram sent by the German emperor to the king of Bavaria respecting the fall of Bucharest:

"The beaten Rumanian army has abandoned its fortified capital. With God's assistance we have gone a great step forward. Your brave Bavarians did excellently in the mountain fighting and on the plains again gained imperishable glory. The heroic death of a brave prince and typical soldier of your lineage has been a source of inspiration to us."

The reference in the emperor's telegram to the death of a prince presumably refers to Prince Henry of Bavaria, nephew of King Louis. Prince Henry was a major in the Bavarian Guards and was reported killed in battle in a wireless despatch from Berlin on Nov. 9. The circumstances or place of his death were not given.

FALL OF BUCHAREST MAKES TALK OF TEUTON WEAKNESS RIDICULOUS

BERLIN, Dec. 7, via London, Dec. 8. —The socialist newspaper Vorwaerts, in an editorial on the capture of Bucharest, expresses the view that the chief significance of the victory lies in the disproof it furnishes of the entente assertions that Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's expressed willingness to make peace is dictated by Germany's weakness.

The newspaper argues that the present moment is especially suited to further efforts for peace as the Teuton conquests in Rumania make further entente talk about Germany's weakness ridiculous.

"The peoples were lied to," continues the article, "when they were told that Germany was about to break down. They were lied to when they were told that Germany wanted peace in order to escape sure defeat and cheat her enemies out of a certain victory."

It asks who can, after Bucharest, dare interpret German peace speeches as "signs of weakness." The article concludes:

"Never has peace been talked louder or more passionately in Germany than during the past few weeks, yet precisely these weeks have matured what probably is the most wonderful success Germany has achieved during this war. Foreign governments lack the courage to make peace. The German government can and must have it. It must manifest that courage until the peoples on the other side sweep away the governments, which can neither win victories nor conclude peace. The attempt must be made, and if it fails through the obvious fault of others, then we can go on with a good conscience until the next time and our soldiers will resume their march."

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DIVISION 11, A. O. H.

NOTICE

There will be Special Meeting this evening at 8 o'clock, to take action on the death of our deceased brother, Charles H. Molloy.

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William Nelson, Fin. Sec.

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NEW NOTE TO GERMANY ON U-BOAT SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—A new note to Germany on the general submarine situation appears to be among the possibilities which may come out of the latest activities of the under-sea boats.

If decided upon, such a note would be for the purpose of clearing up what appear to be differences of interpretation in Washington and Berlin as to what Germany's pledges in the Sussex case covered, especially as to armed ships.

Secretary Lansing said today no final course of action had been agreed upon.

Although the state department has been going on the principle of deciding each case separately on its merits, it was said today that the number of cases had reached such proportions that some general action would be justified although it was made clear that nothing had been determined upon.

Status of Arabia

The day's developments in the situation were:

The United States asked Great Britain for information to determine the status of the P. & O. liner Arabia, which a German submarine commander took for an armed transport.

Marina Not Transport

Official information coming to the state department established that the British ship Marina, torpedoed with a loss of six Americans was in no sense a transport and was entitled to the immunities of a peaceful merchantman.

In both cases Germany has expressed a willingness to offer amends if her pledges were broken.

U. S. Stands Firm

It was reiterated again today that the United States stands squarely on the position it took in the Sussex case. This, combined with Germany's statement that she, too, holds to the pledges she gave in that case, leads officials to declare there seems to be some difference in interpretation.

A new note, if it should be decided to send one, would be to clear this up and make plain beyond question that the United States expects all merchant ships under international law shall not be destroyed without warning or having crews and passengers removed to places of safety.

Sinking of Palermo

Affidavits on the sinking without warning of the Italian liner Palermo, on which state department records show there were 23 Americans, are being collected as rapidly as possible. As yet there are no indications that any American lives were lost, but from information at hand, the case seems to parallel closely the Arabia and the Marina.

MARINA A MERCHANTMAN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Official information to the state department establishes that the British ship Marina, sunk by a German submarine with loss of six Americans, was in no sense a transport and was entitled to the immunities of a peaceful merchantman Germany has announced her willingness to offer amends for the destruction in such a case.

INFORMATION ON ARABIA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Great Britain has been asked by the state department for information of the status of the Peninsular & Oriental liner Arabia, sunk by a German submarine without warning. Germany in a note yesterday, cites circumstances which she contends justified the submarine commander in taking the Arabia for an armed transport.

The state department's information to date is that the ship was a passenger carrying liner not subject to attack without warning.

The next steps in the situation, admittedly most serious since the Sussex case, will not be taken until all the information has been gathered.

GOT AWAY WITH BIG ROLL FROM CAMP

A report was widely circulated in this city today that a young man, whose identity is said to be known, succeeded in escaping from a camp along the banks of the Merrimack river in Methuen, not far from Stanley's, at a late hour last night, with between $300 and $400 that had been left on a table. The local police had not been notified of the alleged theft at noon, it was said.

The facts concerning the larceny were not given out. It is said that the young man suspected had been in the camp and noticed the money near an open window. He is said to have gone out, reached through the window and then escaped with the roll. Telephones and automobiles were put into use in an attempt to overtake the suspect, but all efforts were futile. The search, it is asserted, continued all night and extended to Boston and other cities but the money was still missing this afternoon.

CENTRAL POWERS OFFER SERVICES TO GREECE

LONDON, Dec. 8, 2 p. m.—A despatch from Switzerland as forwarded from Rome to the Wireless Press says Germany and Austria have offered their services to Greece in opening land communications if Greece declares war on the entente.

SHACKLETON TO SAIL FOR ROSS SEA DEC. 16

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Sir Ernest Shackleton will sail from Dunedin, New Zealand, for Ross sea Dec. 16 to rescue the members of his Antarctic expedition marooned there, according to a Reuter's despatch from Wellington. The explorer will take his auxiliary ship, the Aurora.

The ten men whose rescue Sir Ernest will attempt are Capt. Macklintosh and nine members of the crew of the Aurora who were marooned in the neighborhood of the Ross barrier when the ship broke away in a blizzard 21 months ago. They had only a scanty supply of provisions at that time and nothing has been heard from them since.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

HIGHLAND M. E. CHURCH BURNS MORTGAGE

One of the most joyful events in the history of the Highland M. E. church was the burning of the mortgage note last evening, which wiped out every cent of indebtedness. Besides a large number of parishioners there were present Rev. George B. Dean, D.D., the district superintendent, William H. McLean, former pastor, and other clergymen.

Prior to the service Miss Lillian Dunn gave an organ recital which proved very delightful. The exercises were strictly religious and consisted of speaking by several ministers.

Rev. Henry L. Bailey, the present pastor, welcomed the congregation and introduced the services. He was followed by Rev. E. W. Brett, of the Worthen Street church who congratulated the pastor and members and extended the greetings of his church.

Rev. Mr. McLean the former pastor, was one of the principal speakers. His subject was "Looking Backward." He said he had considerable difficulty in finding a text, as he could find no where in the bible an idea that justifies looking backward. Everything that God says in His revealed word, is looking onward and upward and forward. In the Boston public library the only book that he could find on looking backward was Bellamy's, and that is simply looking backward into the future. Finally, in the prophet Isaiah, the words "Look unto the rock whence ye are hewn," and these words seemed applicable to the past and present history of the church. He reminisced in a manner most pleasing to the people of the church, reciting the history of the struggle to pay off the indebtedness, and giving to the present pastor the credit of the success of the plan which was formulated during the speaker's pastorate. Mr. Bailey, he said, closed the deal, and to him belongs the honor. He urged the people not to face, as a church, a struggle of ease and worldliness, but to engage in a spiritual struggle for the saving of souls. He said he hoped that in 10 years they would be trying to raise another debt, on a big stone church.

Rev. George B. Dean, the district superintendent, had for his topic, "Looking Forward." He said that what we are 10 years hence depends on what we plan for now, and if the right kind of foundation is laid and the right kind of process begun, the big stone church will come just as sure as the sun will rise and shine in the sky. He said there are three kinds of people in the churches; first, the parasites, those who go to get what they can. Second, there are the pushers, who help by getting into the same rut with the minister and pushing him along in it. The third class are the power givers, who know the minister's weak places and get behind him and help him by stimulating him.

The burning of the mortgage note was the impressive part of the service and was executed by Messrs. Wilder and Wotton, two of the leading men of the church. One held the platter on which the note rested while the other applied the match and in a moment the church debt was being burned and the congregation sang "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Following the service a social hour was enjoyed in the vestry and refreshments were served.

Rev. A. C. Skinner of St. Paul's church extended congratulations and spoke briefly on the success of the church.

OLD LADIES' HOME

The regular monthly meeting of the patrons of the Old Ladies' home was held at the home in Fletcher street yesterday afternoon and it was voted to fill the vacancies at the home at once. Mrs. Meta Jefferson was chosen chairman of the board and Mrs. Arthur Wright, secretary. Sixteen new patrons were chosen. The reports of the various officers were submitted and approved.

MISSING WOMAN FOUND

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 8.—Search by Nashua police and a posse from the nearby town of Hollis for Mrs. Samuel Hayden, aged 80 years, who disappeared from her home in Hollis Wednesday night, ended yesterday when the woman was found at the home of a relative.

Wednesday night, which was bitterly cold, she spent in an abandoned farmhouse, and then walked five miles to the house in which she was found.

JEWELRY DEPARTMENT

Solid Gold Pendants with 15 inch solid gold soldered link-chain, Pendant set with ruby, sapphire, emerald, some with pearl drop. Prettily boxed for Christmas; value $1.50, for..$1.00

Gold Filled Bracelet Watches, guaranteed full jeweled, very appropriate Christmas gift. Put up in neat box. Special for $5.99

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Complete line of fancy Brassieres and Bandeaux, in crepe de chine, lace and hamburg, in flesh tint and white. Prices

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Envelope Chemise—Many Styles at 79c, 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98

Corset Covers Fine assortment at 25c, 29c, 49c, 98c

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF CREPE DE CHINE UNDERGARMENTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Chemise at ......$1.98, $2.98, $3.98 and $4.98
Camisoles, in flesh and white, at 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98
Gowns 79c, 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98, $3.98

Gowns at $3.98, $4.98, $5.98, $6.98, $7.98, $8.98
Skirts at $3.98, $4.98, $5.98
Combinations—Special values in Fancy Boxes, at ....98c, $1.49, $1.98 and $2.98

A Pair of Slippers

A gift that lasts and gives much enjoyment. We have a large variety of styles, and excellent values.

Men's Tan and Black Everett Slippers ....$1.25 to $2.00
Men's Tan Romeo Slippers....$2.00
Men's Comfy Slippers......$1.49
Men's Moccasins .....$2.25 to $3.00
Women's Soft Felt Slippers....59c
Women's Colored Juliettes....$1.00
Women's Comfy Slippers, $1.25 to $1.49
Women's Moccasins. $1.19 to $2.50
Children's Felt Slippers..49c to 75c



Beautiful Christmas Waists

Hundreds and hundreds of the most beautiful Waists are here ready for your selection. Lowell's leading Waist Department contains the newest creations. Special in Holiday Boxes.

WAISTS AT **$1.98** WAISTS AT **$2.98** WAISTS AT **$4.98**

OTHERS IN THE LARGEST COLLECTION AT 98c, $3.98, $5.98, $6.98, $7.98, $9.98, $12.98 UP TO $25.00

In crepe de chine, fine lingerie, beautiful lace, stripes, Jap silk, Georgette, voiles, radium silk, in fact the newest creations are all here.

Kid Gloves



There is hardly a gift list which does not include Gloves. Our assortment is bigger and better than at any previous season. Come here for the best styles, best makes, best qualities and best values.

Washable Kid Gloves—Gauntlet style, in white, ivory, canary; wash perfectly....$2.50

White Kid Gloves—Heavy black embroidery..$1.75, $2.00

Washable Kid Gloves 1-clasp pearl, ivory, canary, Newport, putty and tan, guaranteed washable, $1.25, $1.75, $2.00

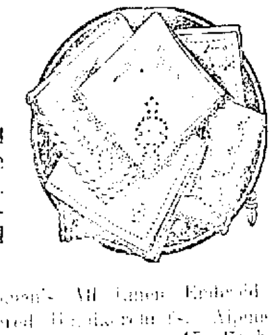
Black Kid Gloves—Heavy white embroidered backs, $1.75, $2.00, $2.25

Lambskin Gloves 2-clasp, all shades $1.25

Trefousse Real Kid Gloves in black and black and white stitching $2.00

1 Clasp Mocha Gloves In gray, tan, black, silk lining, $1.25, $1.75

Handkerchiefs Holiday



Handkerchiefs will appear several times on your list—for no other one article has wider popularity as gifts. We offer an immense stock and excellent values. See them by all means.

Women's All Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched 10c
Women's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, 12½c Each, 75c a Box of 6
Women's Very Fine Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, nicely embroidered, 15c, 85c a Box of 6
Women's Extra Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, neatly embroidered initial, 6 in a box for $1.00
Women's Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, white and colored ....12½c Each
Women's Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, ... boxes ... 25c, 50c, $1.00

Women's All Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Appenzell embroidered ......15c Each
Women's Very Fine Linen Sun... and Irish cottage embroidery ......25c to $1.98
Women's Fine Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, a variety of styles, 25c, 6 in a Box $1.50
Children's Boxed Handkerchiefs, colored embroidery and initials, 15c and 25c a Box of 3
Men's Handkerchiefs, embroidered initial, 6 in a box for 50c

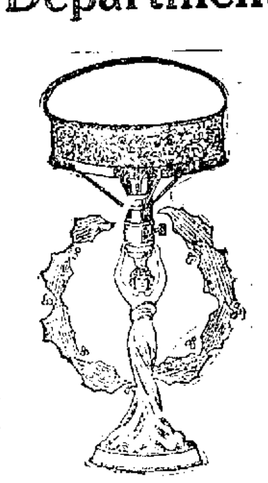
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At moderate cost you may choose tasteful and artistic as well as serviceable wares from this large stock.

$2.00 Value Cut Glass Water Set $1.49
3 pint pitcher, 7 tumblers tastefully cut in popular grape patterns. Special at $1.49
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Fancy China and Bric-a-Brac on Tables
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Made by Rogers, quadruple plate, plain pattern, four pieces, tea pot, sugar, creamer and spoon holder. Special at $5.98

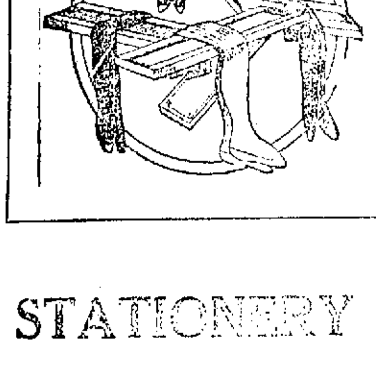


Other values to $19.98

$6.50 to $7.50 Tea Table Lamps $5.00
—All new patterns, in latest antique finish, complete with tubing, burner, etc. Special at $5.00
Other values to $25.00

Utility Electric Fittings—Converts a gas lamp into an electric lamp. Complete set $1.75

$2.00 Stag Handled Carving Sets $1.69
—Made of finest oil tempered steel, with stag handles, absolutely guaranteed. Special price $1.69
Other values to $9.98

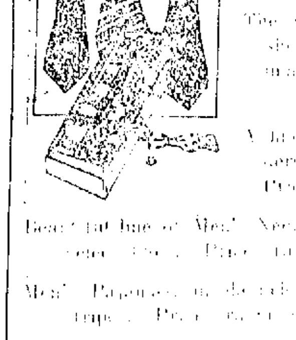


Women's Hosiery

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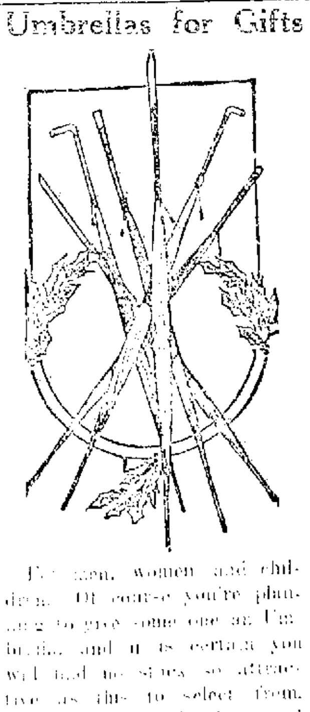
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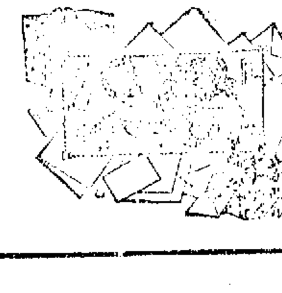
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HOW TO REDUCE COST OF LIVING

Sec. Houston of Dept. of Agriculture Makes Recommendations

Wants Increased Production and Better Distribution of Food

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Efforts to reduce the cost of living through increased production and better distribution of the country's foods are detailed in the annual report of Secretary Houston, of the department of agriculture, made public yesterday. The report also devotes considerable attention to the pure food law and urges on congress the need of strengthening it to permit standardization of foods and drugs and inspection of foods and drugs factories.

Records of the department, the report sets forth, show that except for meat and dairy products the per capita production of the leading food commodities in the United States has remained about the same despite the rapid growth of population. Statistics presented cover a period of 16 years. The population has increased in that time 33 per cent. There is ground for optimism, the report says, as to the ability of the nation not only to supply itself with food but increasingly to meet the needs of the world.

One of the principal aims of the department has been to increase meat production. The report shows a steady growth since 1913 in the output of beef and an advance in the number of swine every year since 1899. More extensive sheep raising is recommended as a source of food. It is pointed out that only one farm in seven in the United States now supports sheep. Fifty million sheep, it is said, could be added to the country's flocks.

Stabilizing of production is recommended as one of the greatest agricultural needs in producing food crops sufficient to meet demands. This can be accomplished best, the report points out, through better adapted or improved crop varieties, more systematic and rational crop rotation and improved agricultural practice generally. In many parts of the country more attention to livestock production is essential to enduring and economical agriculture, the report declares.

It is highly desirable, it is pointed out, that areas for production of staple crops be broadened as far as experience and sound economics may warrant. In this respect the report dwells on the importance of controlling plant diseases and insect pests.

Marketing of farm products, rural finances and rural organization, the report says, have received close attention from the department in the last three years. A four year program developed in 1913 has been in a large measure carried out.

Improved marketing of livestock and meats has been sought by the department as a means of cheapening these products. Already, the report says, "arrangements have been made with 58 stockyard companies to secure monthly reports of livestock receipts and shipments. A uniform system of marketing records has been established at the instance of the department by a number of yards. Methods and costs of marketing livestocks and meats were investigated. A preliminary investigation of the sources, accuracy and use of market reports on livestock and meats has been made. The results of this study have been utilized in development of plans for the organization of a demonstration market news service for livestock similar to that now conducted for perishable crops"

Other efforts at better distribution methods are described as follows:

"Surveys have been made of the marketing facilities for agricultural products in nine cities and advice has been given regarding the location, establishment and management of municipal retail and wholesale public markets. Detailed studies also have been made of conditions in other cities. Investigation concerning methods of handling and grading perishable products and the practicability of standardization of the products and their containers have progressed rapidly.

"The issuance of monthly cold storage reports on apples has been continued, the work has been extended to include butter, eggs and cheese. These reports show the cold storage holdings throughout the country and include a comparison of the holdings of the current year with those of the previous year. In co-operation with carriers, extensive investigations of the economic waste of foodstuffs in transit have been conducted. The object of these investigations is to secure better co-operation between shippers and carriers and greater efficiency in methods of handling, with a view to eliminate, or at least greatly to reduce, the present waste.

"Well-tested systems of accounts and records for primary grain elevators, for livestock shipping associations, and for co-operative stores have been issued. Systems for country creameries and cotton warehouses have been devised and are being tested under commercial conditions. Systems perfected by the department for farmers' co-operative elevators and for fruit and produce associations already are in extensive use. A plan for adapting farmers' grain-elevator companies to the patronage dividend basis has been worked out and published."

Meat production has been increased, according to the report, largely through checking of disease and parasites and by better stock raising. More than 40 per cent. of the original tick infested territory has been cleared, the report says, and the annual loss of $40,000,000 through this parasite has been greatly reduced. Diseases are being eliminated.

The report says of food production:

"The production of food crops adequate to meet the consuming needs of the country and the export demand is a matter of large importance to the American people. Our potential agricultural resources in this respect are so varied and ample that there can be no doubt of our ability abundantly to supply our domestic wants, when climatic conditions are normal and the foreign demand is not excessive. One of the greatest agricultural needs, therefore, is the stabilizing of production.

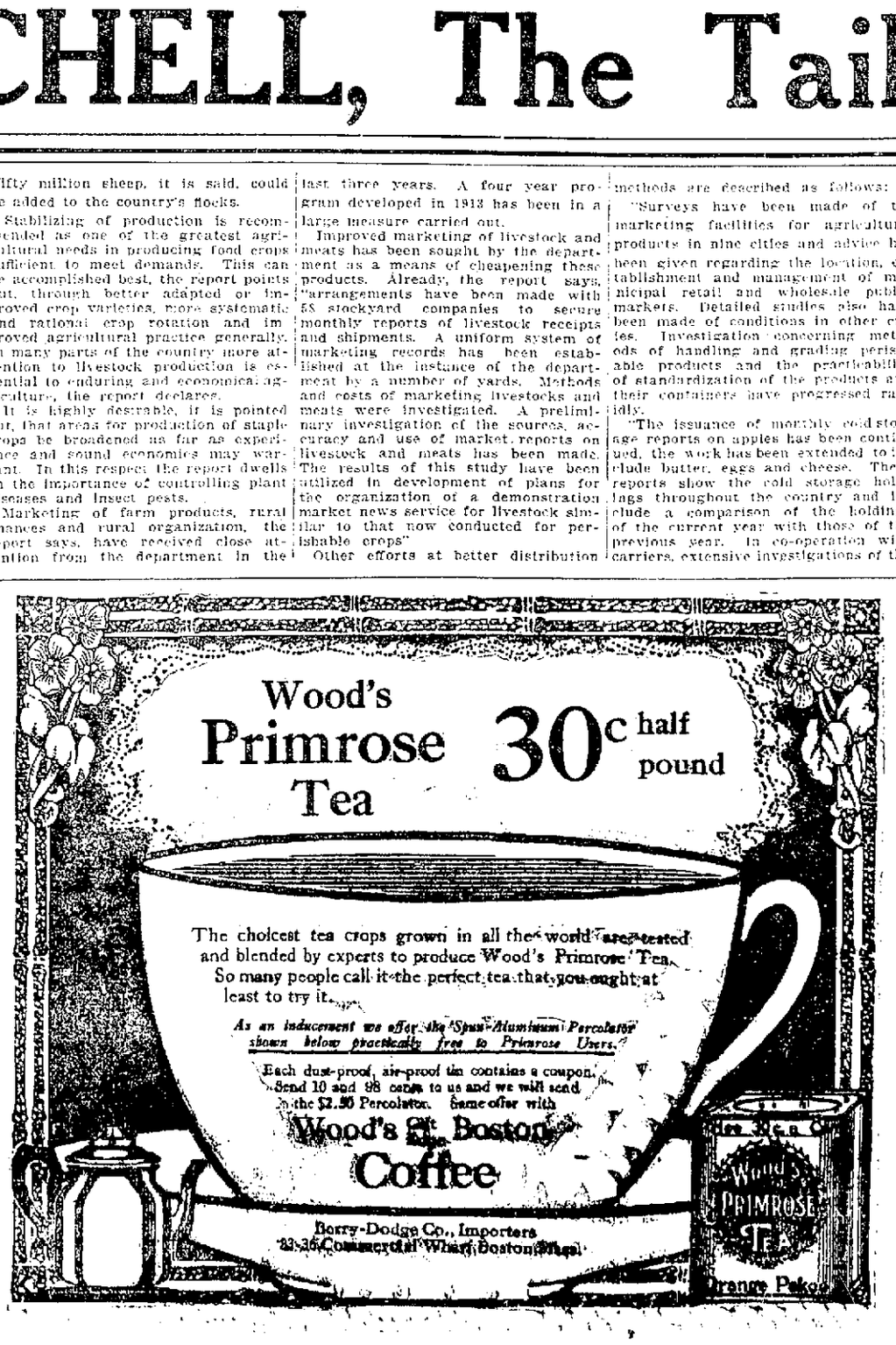
"Sharp fluctuation of yield and price from season to season tends to stimulate speculative and superficial farming and to discourage the systematic crop rotation and thorough cultural practice which are essential to an enduring and economically sound agriculture. It is obvious that, in large measure, stabilization of production must be brought about through the use of better adapted or improved crop varieties, more systematic and rational crop rotations, and improved agricultural practice generally, including in many sections, large attention to livestock production.

"As the principles of crop improvement are better understood and more generally applied, larger yields per acre should result. In addition, a great deal can be accomplished through increase of soil fertility and better cultural methods. Enough has been done in this direction by the state experiment stations and the department, and also by good farmers to justify the expectation that considerably increased acre yields gradually will be brought about in a large part of the area adapted to the staple food crops.

"Very destructive climatic conditions never occur in this country with equal severity throughout all the staple-crop regions. It is highly desirable, therefore, further to broaden the areas for these staples as far as experience and sound economics may warrant."

The report reviews at length the administration of the foods and drugs act. Its recommendations for legislation to reinforce the present law are given: "Experience in connection with the administration of the food and drugs act has strikingly emphasized the importance of enforceable standards for goods and drugs. Without them it is impossible to carry out completely the purposes of the act. In many instances protection of the consumer—the principal object of the law—can not fully be accomplished, nor can unfair practice on the part of unscrupulous manufacturers adequately be prevented. In some cases maintenance of prosecution is difficult and expensive, even when the articles involved clearly are adulterated or misbranded. To meet this situation, I have recommended in the estimates for the fiscal year 1918 that the secretary of agriculture be authorized to establish standards of strength, quality or purity for articles of food and for those articles of drugs which are sold under or by a name not recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia or National Formulary. The suggestion provides that if any article fails to conform to the established standards it shall be deemed to be misbranded, unless it is labeled so as plainly and conspicuously to show how it differs from the standard.

"I have also recommended in the estimates that the department be given authority to inspect establishments producing foods or drugs intended for shipment in interstate or foreign commerce. No specific authority exists at the present time. If the suggested authority be granted, the department should be able to improve the quality of food products, both by bringing to the attention of manufacturers any insanitary conditions that may be discovered and by securing evidence of production under insanitary conditions."



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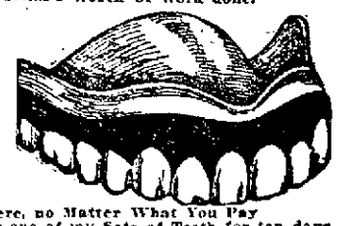
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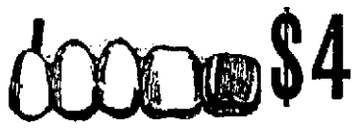
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HUB FIREMEN FORM A UNION

500 Vote to Join the American Federation of Labor

Action Due to Loss of Day Off In Three Issue

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Five hundred members of the Boston fire department voted to join the American Federation of Labor yesterday and to organize a labor union among themselves.

Leaders in the movement assert that under no circumstances will the firemen be obliged to go out on strike as fidelity to the service is recognized by the organization as paramount to any obligation of the union.

They further assert that all the firemen may hope to secure by joining the labor movement is the moral support and active assistance of organized labor in their efforts to secure better working conditions.

The firemen themselves declare that it will make absolutely no difference to them as members of the Boston fire department.

Fire Commissioner Grady stated that under no circumstances would the union be allowed to interfere with the discipline of the department or affect in any way the rules and regulations. Whatever else they were, he said, they were first of all firemen and their duty to the city was superior to all other considerations.

Mayor Curley approved the action of the firemen and said there was no reason why they should not organize for mutual protection and advancement.

This affiliation with the American Federation of Labor is the direct result of the failure of the Boston city council to grant the firemen one day off in three. At present the firemen have one day off in five, working 24 hours a day except for an hour and a quarter allowed daily for meals.

The firemen in Buffalo and Pittsburg are affiliated with the federation. Chicago firemen are said to be partially affiliated.

Four-Day Tour Too Long

The movement was fostered by the Russell Fire club, an organization of privates in the Boston fire department. Louis C. Stickel, hoseman at Engine 8, and retiring president of the club, stated the position of the firemen last night as follows:

"The firemen are dissatisfied over the failure of the city council to grant them better working conditions. They feel that each year brings better working conditions and a higher standard of living for the workingmen. They feel that the firemen, too, should be included in the forward movement and not left behind. To be on duty for four days and four nights, except for meal time, is not a 20th century condition.

"For this reason the men feel that affiliation with th A. F. of L. is a step forward, a step in the direction of better working conditions. Affiliation was voted on before but was voted down to satisfy the business men and trade organizations at that time. The movement this year is the result of the efforts of the Boston city council, Boston chamber of commerce, and other organizations which opposed the demands of the firemen for more time off."

Two-Platoon Basis Sought

Although this is the first movement of its kind among firemen this side of Pittsburg, firemen and labor leaders assert that similar action will follow by firemen in all the large cities of the east, where fire clubs are organized.

Just when the union will be organized is not known, but an application for a charter will be made at once and as soon as it is received a bill will be presented to the legislature by the Massachusetts State Firemen's association providing for the organization of the Boston fire department on a platoon basis, that is half the department will be on duty half of each day. The firemen also propose to make a demand on the United States inspectors of steamboats at Boston to enforce the federal laws in respect to the firemen employed on the fireboats.

These and other grievances will be embodied in bills offered and supported as labor measures.

FOOD SENT TO WAR ZONE

LONDON, Dec. — Foodstuffs amounting to 2,300,000 tons and valued at $227,500,000 have been sent into Belgium, says a report just issued here. Besides foodstuffs the commission has shipped into this war zone something like 5,000,000 articles of clothing.

Allied government subsidies for the relief of people in these stricken districts have amounted to $183,000,000. Public subscriptions, in kind and in money, and other private moneys, amounted to approximately $30,000,000 of which the United States have about 35 per cent., and the British empire nearly all the rest.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

"The Common Law" that brilliant dramatic success by Robert W. Chambers which is the offering of the Emerson players at the Lowell Opera House, is the biggest success scored by this popular aggregation of stock stars in the past season and a half and it promises to break all former records to pieces. There is a big demand for seats for the remaining performances today and wise ones will make reservations early and thus avoid any chance of disappointment. Seats can be secured by phoning 261.

Miss Ann O'Day as Valerie West is scoring a wonderful hit while Ivan Miller could not be better as Kelley Neville, the young artist. James J. Hayden, James T. Galloway, Millard Vincent, Frank Wright, Rose Morison and Gladys McLeod play their parts finely. A superb scenic production is given by Director Wright, with all new and special effects being used.

Sunday afternoon and evening at the Opera House, a dandy program of vaudeville and picture features will be offered the management having secured five splendid acts and as many reels of the newest and best releases in photoplays. Halliday and West in a comedy musical offering are sure to make a great hit with Lowell audiences. This act is a riot of laughter from the start to the finish and everywhere they have played, they have been featured headliners. Evelyn and Rita in song and violin selections is a classy sister act and these two girls will be the hit of the program. Joe Masson in songs and chatter—an act that is entirely different—is a clever funmaker. Fritzkow and Blanchard in singing and fun gags and Jerge and Hamilton, "the gloom chasers" are other numbers on the program that will make good with local audiences. The pictures will include both comedy and dramatic features. Seats are now selling for the both performances and should be secured early.

Next week, starting with a special bon bon matinee on Monday, the Emerson players will present "In Old Kentucky" a wonderful melodrama, which for more than two decades has thrilled the world. This great play will be offered for the first time by any stock company and also for the first time at popular prices, having been secured by special arrangement with the American Play company for one week's production at an almost prohibitive royalty figure.

As a special feature during next week's play, Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady of the Emerson players will offer several banjo selections as part of her characterization of the mountain girl. Previous to becoming a star in dramatic work Miss O'Day was a headliner in vaudeville offering a classy banjo act. Ivan Miller and all the favorites will be seen in congenial roles and a superb scenic production will be given with all new effects.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

And still the California Boys' Band proves the great magnet at the B. F. Keith theatre this week. Forty splendid specimens of boyhood, under the very capable leadership of Major Sydney S. Peixotto, put in a strenuous half hour, playing band numbers, folk dancing, running, jumping, doing [illegible] and [illegible] and forming pyramids. The visit of the boys here is in the nature of general broad education to them, and in return for what they get they offer their splendidly varied program. Since they have been in Lowell they have visited many of the local industries and have been warmly received by all who have come in contact with them.

"Look, Laugh, Listen," put forward by Jim Toney and Ann Norman, is a bright bit of fun and dancing. Nobody could do with it what this clever pair does, for it is the result of several years of experience in the best vaudeville theatres in this and foreign countries. Another good act is that given by Jack Kick and Morton Harvey. Writers of their own song numbers they visualize them in such a manner as to bring forth instant recognition. Two of their songs are [illegible]. "Stepletons of Rugby," a speedy farce, is played by Edward Farrell & Co., and Johnson & Dean are singers and dancers of note. Other acts are: The Flying Henrys, daring aerialists; the Olds in a potpourri of several things, and the Pathe News, with the latest motion pictures of current events. Good seats in advance. 'Phone 28.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

The double feature program which [illegible] other plays of exceptional merit which pleased the many patrons of the Merrimack Square theatre yesterday afternoon and evening will be again shown at the continuous performances at this theatre today and tomorrow. Dustin Farnum appears in the pleasing role of a young Irishman in the five act play, "A Son of Erin," a play of thrills and humorous situations, showing the resolute struggle of the Irish lad to overcome political corruption in a large American city. The play is a strong political arraignment which is made ever more potent by the appearance of Dustin Farnum. Also on this same first half of the week program at the Merrimack Square theatre is the five act drama, "The Conquest of Canaan" by Booth Tarkington, the celebrated author. In this play are co-starred Edith Taliaferro and Jack Sherrill, each appearing in roles adapted to their ability. The Burton Holmes pictures will also be shown as well as several other enjoyable plays. A special feature which will be added to the matinee performances tomorrow afternoon, is one which will delight especially the youngsters. It is another episode of "The Girl From 'Frisco," a refined yet thrilling play of the west. This is just the picture for parents to send their children to see. It will give them good, wholesome enjoyment, and keep them out of harm's way.

OWL THEATRE

The exciting story of a woman's love and the adventures which it led to, form the basis of "A Woman's Honor," the latest Fox release, which will head the big week-end program at the Owl theatre today and tomorrow. Appearing in the stellar role will be Jose Collins, the famous comic opera star, whose equally famous dark eyes and hair made her one of Broadway's greatest favorites.

The scene of "A Woman's Honor" is laid in Italy, in and around Naples. In order to get the Italian effect the entire force of the Fox Studio was transported to Cuba. The story of the play deals with a beautiful young Italian peasant girl, who is married to her lover on the eve of his departure for America. The civil ceremony is performed at once while the religious ceremony is to wait until the husband returns from America. The girl's mother suddenly dies and she soon after leaves Italy to join her husband. How the girl falls into the hands of a wealthy roue on the way, how she finally escapes and swears vengeance against the man and woman who had ruined her forms a powerful story which sweeps on a much more powerful climax.

"The Fireman," the second of the new Charlie Chaplin releases will also be shown at the Owl today and tomorrow. In this new picture Chaplin discards the raiment which has made him famous and appears as a fire laddie. Thrills as well as laughs crowd this new film, as the fire scene in which several buildings were destroyed are sensational in the extreme. Other excellent attractions will also be shown at the Owl today and tomorrow.

ROYAL THEATRE

Ali Singh, Louis Tracy's devilish yellow man in "The Yellow Menace," played by Edwin Stevens, has proven one of the sensations of the current picture season. The 14th episode of "The Yellow Menace" shows this remarkable character pursuing his fiendish desire to rule the entire world. His machinations have been followed with interest by thousands of movie fans, and the fact that there are only two more episodes to come, increases the audiences every Friday and Saturday at the Royal theatre, where it is shown. Today and tomorrow, the 14th episode of "Liberty," featuring Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo will be shown, besides the second episode of Kalem's new serial detective series, "Grant, Police Reporter," featuring Ollie Kirby and George Larkin. The usual strong attractions will complete a fine end-of-the-week performance for the two days. Coming soon, Pearl White, the famous Pathe actress in another big serial, called "Pearl of the Army." On Sunday, Billie Burke in "Gloria's Romance" and other big attractions are booked for showing. Winsome Viola Dana in a smashing subject Monday.

JEWEL THEATRE

The Jewel theatre has a corking show booked for today and tomorrow, with a variety of subjects that will please anyone. A comedy in two acts, "Boarders and Bombs," featuring Billie West, Charles Chaplin's double, is among them. Mary Fuller in "Cheaters" offers an exceptionally fine photoplay in multiple reels, while episodes of "The Crimson Stain Mystery" and "Liberty" and the usual releases will complete the performance. Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo and the star cast in "Liberty" are doing exceptional work in this serial. Maurice Costello, Ethel Grandin and Miss Olonova, the new screen "vampire" are splendid in "The Crimson Stain Mystery" and with the fine supporting company that plays with them, this serial is surely one of the best ever shown in Lowell.

TEMPLE CLUB DANCE

Tonight Associate hall will be the scene of jollity and festivity for the Temple club social and dance will be given by this popular organization. A splendid time is assured all who attend this annual event. The music for this occasion will be furnished by the Miner-Doyle orchestra. The ticket are 25 cents.



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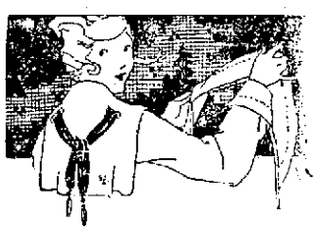
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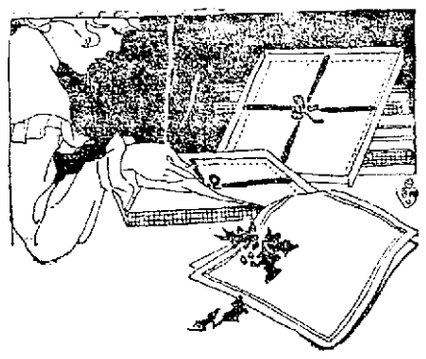


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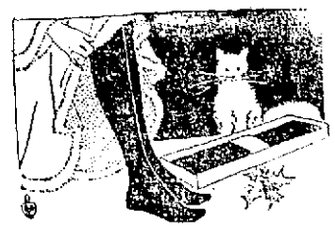
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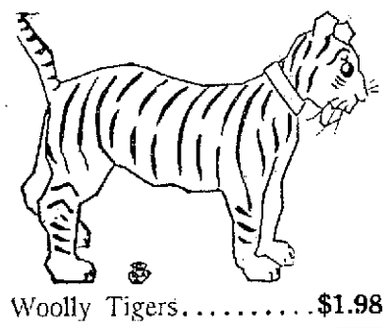
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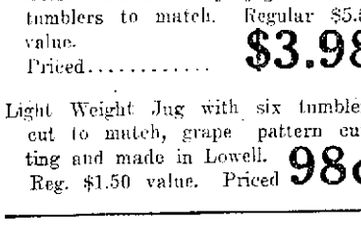
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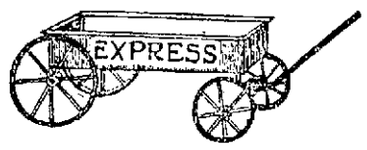
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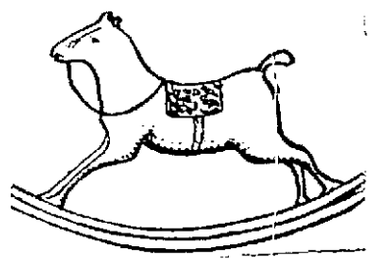
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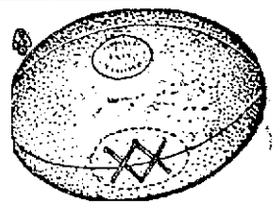
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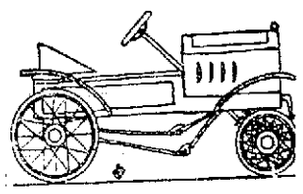
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BUNTING CRICKET CLUB'S ANNUAL BANQUET

Over 200 members of the United States Bunting Cricket club and Athletic association attended the annual banquet of the organization in the well appointed quarters at Bunting park, last evening. The affair was very successful in every way and the manner in which the evening's program was carried out reflects much credit upon the officers of the club, who had spared no time or effort to make the event a banner one. Present at the festivities were representatives of the state and city including Adjutant General Garner W. Pearson, Representatives O'Connell, Butler and Jewett; Senator-elect Arthur W. Colburn and Commissioners Donnelly and Duncan.

In the early evening an informal reception was held in the spacious quarters of the club and at 8 o'clock after the singing of "America" by the gathering, all sat down to a bountiful dinner



FREDERICK G. HUMPHRISS
Toastmaster

served by Caterer R. J. Harvey. At the close of the meal Vice President Thomas A. Wilde rapped to order and after extending a cordial welcome to the guests, introduced as the toastmaster of the evening, President Frederick G. Humphriss, who in his opening address spoke in part as follows:

Mr. Chairman, fellow members, friends of the Bunting club, I desire to express my sincere thanks for the honor you have conferred upon me this evening by selecting me as your toastmaster. In accepting the position of toastmaster tonight I am warmed by the enthusiastic welcome which you have been pleased to accord to me. I am, on the other hand, daunted when I recollect, first of all, what large demands I have to make on your patience and secondly how inadequate are my powers, and how inadequate almost any amount of time you can grant me to tell you of the progress our club has made since its organization. It is pleasant to me to meet this brilliant company and doubly pleasant to see the faces of so many distinguished persons at our banquet.

Thank you again for your good wishes and may you all be spared to meet together for many years to come.

We are gathered here tonight to celebrate the twenty-second anniversary of our club. The Buntings have made a magnificent record, so it is fitting that the members should celebrate every year by a gathering of this kind, the birth of their club in a manner in keeping with the events of its past history. Since its inception in 1894 when a few men ... banded together it has shown ... growth in membership and ... work which has been accomplished in promoting out door athletic sports, encouraging social intercourse and improving the physical and moral qualities of its members has won recognition and high regard for the Bunting club not only from the best people in our city but from all over New England.

During the last three years our club has spent over $6000—in promoting outdoor athletic sports. Over 30,000 people have been entertained on our grounds during that period.

In our membership can be found persons of all races, creeds and political parties. The personnel of our club is and always has been considered in the eyes of the public as A-1. In our efforts to increase our membership, we have never lost sight of the fact that the best men are not too good for us to associate with.

The past year has been of excellent growth, universal harmony and good fellowship and we have cause to rejoice and be truly thankful for the high degree of prosperity.

Indications multiply and evidence accumulates which leads us to believe that notwithstanding the rather unsettled conditions which prevail in our city at the present time affecting



THOMAS E. WILDE
Committee Chairman

the standing of not only our own club but clubs all over the state—that our organization will keep its place as the foremost organization for social and athletic purposes in the city.

In view of the known character of our speakers who are to respond to the toasts tonight and the singers who have volunteered their services for your pleasure and entertainment it would not be becoming in me to detain you with many remarks of my own. But I would like to say something to our members which would arouse their enthusiasm and result in the co-operation of every member with the officers of the club.

Calls For Enthusiasm

Let us be enthusiastic in our work and society. Enthusiasm is the quality in human beings which causes them to go about their pursuits ardently. We find genuine enthusiasm back of every great personality and every great achievement. Enthusiasm especially implies to capacity to believe and to try that which has not been done or proved feasible. Enthusiasm took Christopher Columbus across the ocean—Napoleon over the Alps, John Brown to his death. Enthusiasm ... the small American boy from his stand as office boy at the door to be head of the firm. The lack of enthusiasm explains the lack of success in thousands and millions of us. We cannot all be statesmen, orators, great inventors, liberators of the people or pioneers in scientific work. But we can all be genuine enthusiasts and use our enthusiasm in the best work at our hand.

If you are enthusiastic in the work of the club there is no question but what you will co-operate with the officers to make the club a success—brother members there never was a time in our history when your co-operation was more needed than it is now.

Combined efforts count. Successful institutions represent the combined efforts of men. Look at current events, if you would ask for evidence of benefits derived from co-operation.

Co-operation and good fellowship may be said to be synonymous. The one cannot long endure without the other. They are just as essential to the life of collective accomplishments as oxygen and hydrogen are essential to the existence of every living thing. Good fellowship paves the way to the ... and ... [illegible] these are attained ... [illegible] ... co-operation ... every ... [illegible]

Brother members remember that your officers cannot do it all. It requires the hearty co-operation of every member ... [illegible] keep ... [illegible] order ... [illegible] In ... [illegible] the members ... [illegible] together, for in unity there is strength. I have always ... and there never was a time in our history when your co-operation was more needed than it is now.

May dissensions be eliminated. May loyalty reign and thanksgiving follow. May the fraternal ... independence never wane. Its honor never die and its roll of honor never be tarnished. May it be the honest endeavor of each and every one of the members to make this the most successful year in the history of your organization.

Commissioner Duncan

In the absence of Mayor O'Donnell, the toast, "The City of Lowell," was responded to by Commissioner Duncan, who took occasion to congratulate the members of the organization for the success obtained during the 22 years of the club's existence, saying he is glad to see that the members are doing their utmost to have the city of Lowell placed on the map. The commissioner then spoke of the early days of Lowell in 1826 when it was a town and told of a group of business men of Boston coming to Pawtucket falls and selecting the site for the city of spindles. He said there was no settlement in Lowell at that time. The Boston men built the first factory here in 1826 and since that time the city has prospered in a marvelous way.

The commissioner incidentally referred to the Locks & Canals Co. as being opposed to Lowell progressing by giving the cold shoulder to large concerns that would have come to Lowell and they received a little encouragement. "In spite of the Locks & Canals Co., however," continued the speaker, "Lowell is not dead but progressing rapidly. What we want now is to help beautify our city and not be ashamed to have any one look at our products. We have in Lowell as fine streets as can be found in the country and pretty soon we will have a fine high school that will be the pride of all citizens of Lowell."

The other speakers and their toasts were as follows: Rep. Victor F. Jewett, "The Commonwealth"; Adjt. Gen. Pearson, "Preparedness"; Lawrence Cummings, "The Press"; George H. Brown also spoke. During the evening vocal selections were given by George Kerwin, Commissioner Donnelly, Michael Gorman and Joseph Valley.

The committees responsible for the success of the evening were as follows: Entertainment committee: Thomas E. Wilde, chairman; Harry Short, Dennis Lynch, John W. Foster, George Emsley, Samuel J. Nichol, William Easton.

Banquet committee: Frederick G. Humphriss, S. J. Nichol, George Emsley, Thomas Wilde, Harry W. Short, John Foster, James Gamwell, Dennis Lynch, George H. Underwood, William H. Easton, Alfred Chapman, William H. Grant, James Garnett.

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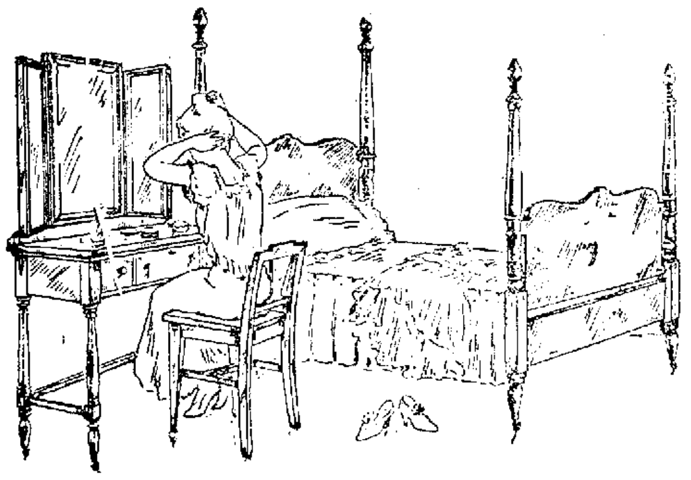


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DOYLE ELECTED CAPTAIN OF COMPANY G

It is now Capt. Thomas W. Doyle, for the popular first lieutenant of Co. G, Sixth infantry, Massachusetts National Guard, was elected captain at a meeting held in the company's rooms at the state armory in Westford street last night. Capt. Doyle succeeds Capt. Walter R. Jeyes, who resigned his position in order to devote his entire time to the management of the Lowell Boys' club.

Second Lieut. Schuyler R. Waller was elected first lieutenant of the company and Sergt Jerome Marble Heiser was elected second lieutenant. Major Colby T. Kittredge presided over the meeting and all three elections were unanimous.

Capt. Doyle is one of the best known men in military circles in the state. He has devoted much of his time to the improvement of the company to which he is attached as well as spending much time in military training which took him to various parts of the country where special training sessions were being held. He was also military instructor at the Lowell high school for a time and is considered one of the best rifle shots in the Bay State.

He joined Company G on May 11, 1897, and is a veteran of the Spanish-American war. During his career in the military he has won many honors, and is one of the most popular officers connected with any of the Lowell companies.

First Lieut. Waller since taking up military wor in 1908, has advanced rapidly, and his personality has won him the confidence of the company.

The election to second lieutenant of Sergt. Heiser was received with gratification by his entire roster of friends, and the enlisted men of G feel that with their three new leaders, all things are possible for the company.

The records of the three officers promoted are as follows:

Captain Thomas W. Doyle joined Co. G, Sixth infantry, N. G. Mass., May 11, 1897. Elected second lieutenant May 28, 1906. Elected first lieutenant Dec. 26, 1907. Mustered into U.S.V. May 12, 1898, served Cuba and Porto Rico. Mustered out Jan. 21, 1899. Served as private, war with Spain. Lawrence riot duty 1912. Mustered into U. S. federal service July 1, 1916 for "Mexican border service." Mustered out Sept. 18, 1916. Member state and international rifle teams.

First Lieut. Schuyler R. Waller joined Co. K June 4, 1908. Private, corporal and sergeant. Joined Co. G, June 4, 1912. Elected second lieutenant Co. G, Sixth infantry, N. G. Mass. June 11, 1912. Lawrence riot duty 1912. Mustered into U. S. federal service July 12, 1916 for "Mexican border service." Mustered out Sept. 30, 1916. Member Co. G rifle team.

Second Lieut. Jerome Marble Heiser. Graduate Central high school, Minneapolis, Minn. Attended Mt. Hermon school, Massachusetts. Private, corporal and sergeant Co. G, Sixth infantry, N. G. Mass. "Mexican border service." Mustered into U. S. federal service July 12, 1916. Mustered out Oct. 27, 1916. Member Co. G rifle team.

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STRIKE VOTE BY 30,000 GARMENT WORKERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Employers in this city were notified today that more than 30,000 members of the Almalgamated Clothing Workers of America had empowered the officials of the union to call a strike if the workers do not receive the 8-hour day. The vote was completed last night. Some time ago the union served an ultimatum upon the American Clothing Manufacturers' association and its sub-contractors demanding an increase of $2 a week in wages and a reduction in working hours. The wage increase aggregating over $2,500,000 a year was granted but no action was taken on the question of hours.

DIRECTORS ELECTED BY CLUB LAFAYETTE

The annual meeting of the members of Club Lafayette was held last evening in the quarters of the organization in upper Merrimack street and a feature of the meeting was the election of the directors. The meeting was largely attended and President Albert J. Blazon occupied the chair. The report of the treasurer, Frederick A. Lamoureux, showed the organization to be in good financial standing, while the secretary, Ernest J. Dupont, was also acceptable.

The election of three directors took place and the following were the unanimous choice of the assembly: J. B. Pennault, Herve Parthenais and Z. A. Normandin. The directors will meet next week for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

At the close of the business session a social hour was spent during which a varied entertainment program was given, those taking part being members of the club as well as two stars from the B. F. Keith theatre, James King and Norton Harvey, who sang, played the piano and told stories much to the enjoyment of the gathering. A buffet luncheon was served and the officers of the club were warmly congratulated for the success of the evening.

SCHOOLS TO TRAIN U. S. TROOPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Educational institutions approved by the war department yesterday for the organization of reserve officers training corps units include Norwich university, Northfield, Vt., where a cavalry unit will be organized, and the University of Vermont, where an infantry unit will be established.

CALLS PHILIPPINE BILL BEST ORGANIC ACT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Philippine bill enacted at the last session of congress "is probably the best organic act ever passed by congress," declared Brig. Gen. Frank McIntyre, chief of the bureau of insular affairs in his annual report, made public today. Gen. McIntyre finds there is a "general feeling of satisfaction in the islands on the passage of the bill far greater than was anticipated." It includes, he adds, all the legislation the war department and the Philippine government sought and the report makes no request for additional enactments.

Recommendation that American citizenship be extended to Porto Rico is renewed. A bill to this end passed the house last May and Gen. McIntyre says that the elections on the island have been postponed in the hope that the senate will concur at this session.

LOWELL NEST OF OWLS NOMINATES OFFICERS

A largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the members of the Lowell Nest of Owls was held last evening in Elks' hall, Middle street, with President R. J. Flynn in the chair. Considerable business was transacted and a feature of the evening was the nomination of officers, which resulted as follows:

Irving E. Libby, president; Edouard Lemay, vice president; James Needham, invocator; Cornelius F. Harrington, warden; John J. Hartnett, recording secretary; James H. Rogers, financial secretary; John A. Bailey, treasurer; Joseph Ayotte, sentinel; Louis Sawyer, picket; John J. Wellsman and Roddy P. Monahan, sick committee; Dr. Harold B. Plunkett and Dr. George E. Caisse, physicians. William L. Dickey, trustee for three years. At the next meeting of the Nest the secretary will cast a ballot in favor of the above candidates, who have no opposition and the installation will take place at the first meeting in January at which time a varied entertainment program will be given.

50 BELOW IN ALASKA

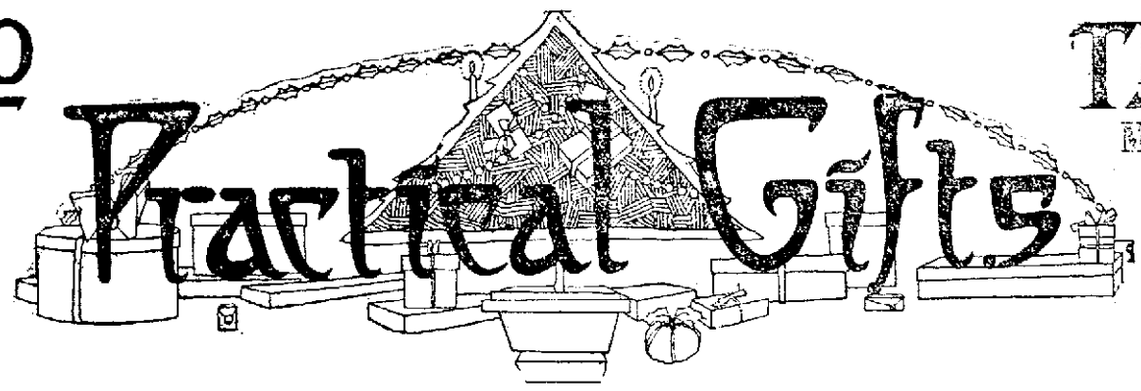
SEWARD, Alaska, Dec. 8.—The crews on the United States railway reported Wednesday's weather the coldest they ever experienced, the temperature at one point where the mountain valleys meet being estimated at 50 degrees below zero.

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NIGHT ROBES of crepe de chine, with tops of filet and Valenciennes lace, ribbons and French roses..3.95 and 4.95

CAMISOLES AND BRASSIERES of crepe de chine, washable satin and Cluny lace .....95c, 1.95 and 2.95

BOUDOIR CAPS OF LACE, net and pink, blue or white crepe de chine, 50c and 75c

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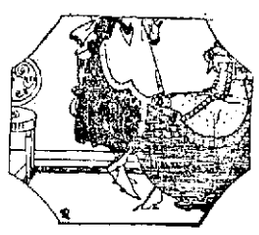
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FIVE MEN KILLED AT CROSSING

Central Vermont Train Hits Auto Near Stafford Springs

Auto Cut In Halves—Bodies Horribly Mangled, Hurled In River

WILLIMANTIC, Conn., Dec. 8.—Five men were hurled to almost instant death, and a sixth is dying in the Johnson Memorial hospital, Stafford Springs, as the result of a collision between an automobile in whichr they were riding and a passenger train of the Central Vermont railway.

The fatalities occurred shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the electric light crossing a mile south of Stafford Springs. All the victims of the crash were mechanics employed by the contracting firm of Latham & Crane of this city and were returning to their homes.

The dead are: Henry St. Pierre, Algot B. Clausen, Preston Osterhaut, Andrew S. Swanson and Fred Kovall. The dying man is William D. Lason.

The men had just quit work for the day and had accepted an invitation to ride in the automobile which was owned and driven by Osterhaut. Just where the fatality occurred there is a sharp turn in the road leading directly to the railroad crossing. The auto was going at a fair rate of speed and the train was said to be speeding in order to make up a few minutes on its schedule.

Neither the engineer nor any of the men had any warning as to the catastrophe until the automobile was directly on the track and the train but a few feet away. Engineer Sears had no time to act before the crash came and the men were hurled from the car and their bodies sent flying, mangled masses into the river which paralleled the railroad or at the side of the track. The auto was smashed to splinters, the front half being thrown on one side of the train and the rear on the other.

As soon as possible the train was stopped and the crew, along with frightened and horrified passengers, rushed to the scene. They gathered the mangled bodies up as hastily as possible, the last one being taken from the river about 7 o'clock. As soon as it was found that one was still alive he was placed on the train and rushed to the hospital.

PRES. WILSON TO SPEAK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Wilson will be a speaker tonight before the conference on social insurance, in session here. Secretary Redfield will preside. The conference today discussed old age and mothers' pensions.

10 PER CENT INCREASE

BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 8.—The Pepperell Manufacturing Co. in this city and the York Manufacturing Co. in Saco, announced an advance of 10 per cent. in wages today to take effect Jan. 1. About 6000 operatives are affected.

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MOORS PRAISES WILSON'S MEXICAN POLICY

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—High praise of President Wilson, of John Lind, his Mexican envoy; criticism of Mrs. Nelson O'Shaughnessy's recent book on Mexico, and a hope that the League to Enforce Peace may carry out its plans, were the features of an address delivered last night by John F. Moors, president of the Associated Charities and member of the finance commission, before a rather small audience in Pilgrim hall, under the auspices of the Women's Peace party.

Mr. Moors took up especially the relations between the United States and the Latin countries of South America. He emphasized the work that President Wilson is doing in attempting to restore order out of chaos in Mexico by force of good will, patience and helpfulness rather than by force of arms.

Mrs. O'Shaughnessy he described as having "her heroism confined to the society of Mexico City and the well-equipped battleships of Uncle Sam and John Bull, thinking Carranza a greedy old man."

President Wilson he lauded because his efforts had been so slow in bringing their reward. Mr. Moors said, and that this had brought out the president's ability to persist in the right course in the face of temporary failure. "It is much easier to be a good winner than a good loser," said Mr. Moors, prophesying the ultimate triumph of the Wilson policy.

ASKS MORE MONEY TO DEVELOP MASS. RIVERS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—A plea for appropriations for the development of Massachusetts waterways, as an aid to the industrial life of New England, was made before the national rivers and harbors congress here yesterday, by Chairman John N. Cole of the Massachusetts waterways commission.

In an address on "The New England Factory and the Markets of the World," Mr. Cole pleaded for federal assistance to widen and deepen the Connecticut river channel to Holyoke and argued for the construction of an 18 to 20 foot channel in the Merrimack river from Lowell to the sea.

VIRGINIUS J. MAYO BEATS UP HIS SUCCESSOR

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 8.—Virginius J. Mayo, a manufacturer whose tangled domestic affairs became public after the suicide of Lillian Cook, a stenographer in his employ, some time ago, was arrested in Hamden yesterday, charged with assault upon E. B. Shoemaker, appointed yesterday to take charge of the Mayo plant.

Mayo furnished a bond, and his counsel, Benjamin Slade, announced that the superior court would be asked to issue an injunction to restrain Shoemaker from interference.

ELECTRIC COMPANIES' ANNUAL REPORT

DISAGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ON SIX-CENT FARE CASE

Disagreement with the public service commission on many points in the Bay State six-cent fare case is expressed in this year's report of the Massachusetts Electric companies. The commission's findings are exhaustively analyzed and issue taken with many conclusions, the company stating that while it has no wish to return criticism for criticism, it feels obliged to inform shareholders of facts ignored and errors made.

A fundamental omission is declared to be non-recognition of the great expense of recent development in the art of street railroading. The commission laid stress on poor condition of certain lines merged in 1899, but is declared to have ignored the vast cost of revolutionary changes then undreamed of. Expense of rebuilding a few stretches of poor track was an insignificant fraction of that required by new, heavy cars and rails and large, consolidated power stations. Meanwhile the nickel remained the rigid fare unit, with its purchase power steadily dwindling.

Cars in operation, the company agrees, are not all in good order, but it points out that new cars cost money and take time, especially just now; also that the commission suggests no way of financing, while completely ignoring credit. More cars have been ordered; and it is termed unjust to criticise those kept moving to meet urgent public need.

As to the commission's remark that 120 miles of track need to be rebuilt, the company declares there is no disposition to avoid rebuilding where business justifies it, and cites as proof thereof that 562 out of 934 miles in the entire system have already been rebuilt or built new at a cost of $18,500,000. In addition some $9,000,000 have been spent on cars and power stations since 1899, and the total of $22,500,000 is described as "not contemptible," considering that the entire capitalization of the companies acquired was less than $20,000,000.

The company complains of the commission's severe attitude as to depreciation. The recognized practice of all street railway and steam railroads in Massachusetts is set forth, and the commission is asserted to have set up a new standard "by which to judge and condemn past conduct." Remarks of the railroad commission in their reports of 1894 and 1898, which the public service commission described as "repeated warnings," are shown to have been constantly disregarded by both commissions during the 20 years since they were promulgated.

The company declares that the commission ignored the limitations which credit imposes on a street railway, that regulation must take into account the restrictions which the laws relating to the issue of securities impose, and that disregard of these elements "can produce nothing but bad results."

Much attention is given paying and non-paying lines. On the question whether the system should be treated as a rate making unit the commission is described as showing "a disheartening vagueness." If deficits of non-paying lines are not to be wholly met from profitable lines or raised fares, apparently only the stockholders are left to bear them. But the law provides they shall receive a fair return, and the commission decides they have not received it. The logical result would seem to abandon unprofitable lines. The company says it supposed the value of the country lines was admitted by everybody; yet such a result "seems to follow inevitably from the language employed in the commission's opinion."

As to dividends the company asserts that new capital, necessary for improvements aside from replacements, cannot be obtained if earned dividends are indefinitely withheld. If the Bay State, while clearing off large sums for reconstruction, had further withheld dividends to establish a "depreciation reserve," when no other street railway did so, new money would have gone into other enterprises. Money thus withheld could not have rebuilt the property.

PRESENTED A 3-ACT DRAMA

The members of St. Anne's school alumni of Lawrence presented a three-act drama in city hall, Lawrence last evening and the affair was attended by about 800 people. The entertainment was given for the benefit of the chapel the Marist brothers are erecting at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. in commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of the founding of the order. Present at the entertainment from Lowell were Rev. Bro. Leon Bernardin, master of St. Joseph's college and Wilfred P. Caisse, Jr., president of St. Joseph's college alumni.

BREMEN LOST IN STORM

AMSTERDAM, via London, Dec. 8.—From a statement made by Alfred Lehmann, president of the board of directors of the German Ocean Navigation company, in which he declined to say anything about the German merchant submarine Bremen, except that the vessel was neither torpedoed nor captured, the Cologne Gazette infers that the Bremen was lost during a storm in the Atlantic.

DEFENDS PAY OF "L" HEADS

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Frederick E. Snow, counsel for the Boston Elevated Railway company, defended the salaries paid to President Brush and former President Bancroft at a hearing held before the special investigating commission yesterday. He said that each received $25,000, while formerly the salary of General Bancroft had been $26,000, and that of Mr. Brush, $15,000.

The Elevated attorney went into the matter of finances at great length, and said that there was no justification for the statement made by ex-Mayor Matthews that the increase in the company's business during the next three years would take care of the cost of operation.



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Bliss Knapp, C.S.B., of the board of lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, of Boston, gave a lecture on "Christian Science, the Revelation of Divine Power," before a large audience in Colonial hall last evening and deep interest was manifested.

Elmore J. Chamberlain of this city introduced the lecturer. He said:

"I am glad to welcome you this evening in behalf of First Church of Christ Scientist. Jesus said, 'Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.'

"Christian Science accepts and proves this assurance to be true by the testimony of thousands of grateful people who have been set free from the bondage of sin and disease.

"We are gathered here to listen to a lecturer who is fully qualified to elucidate this great Truth—as taught in Christian Science.

"It gives me pleasure to introduce a member of the board of lectureship of the mother church, the First Church of Christ Scientist of Boston, Mr. Bliss Knapp, C.S.B., of Brookline."

Mr. Knapp said, in part:

It is true that every system of religion known to men claims to be the promulgation of revealed truth; but that which differentiates the demonstrable revelation of Jesus Christ from all others is its power to give life and to restore health. It is the life giving power in Christian truth which makes it demonstrable in healing sickness and sin. One school of philosophers has propounded the theory that truth is twofold: that there is one truth called reason, and another truth called revelation, but that revelation has no law and is lacking in a reasonable explanation. The result is agnosticism. Christianity, on the other hand, teaches there is but one truth and this truth is God. It teaches moreover that divine truth is expressed through law which may be understood and demonstrated in Christian healing. This teaching reconciles reason and revelation in the oneness of truth.

True Worship

Some may feel they have lost their God in thinking of Him as truth, but Jesus declared in all earnestness that "The true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth." That may be clarified by another of Jesus' sayings: "None is good save one, that is God." Now the spirit or law of infinite good is goodness, and the true worshippers can worship infinite good only through goodness. For example, no one goes directly to the basic meaning of mathematics. He must go by way of its rules or laws. The simple law that two and two are four mediates between the basic meaning of mathematics and the prospective student. Even so no one can go directly to infinite good. He must go by way of goodness, which is the law or attribute of infinite good. That is, he must worship infinite good in the understanding of goodness. Mrs. Eddy has said in Science and Health, "A pure affection takes form in goodness." Then as one entertains an affection for others that is pure and constant, it takes form in goodness, which is an attribute of God. In this simple process he comprehends the law of goodness, and in the understanding of it he reaches to the actual recognition of infinite good. In the same spiritual understanding of divine law shall one worship the God and Father who is Spirit and Truth.

The Comforter

Before Jesus went away he promised us another Comforter. That no misconception might arise, he took the precaution to explain the nature of this promised Comforter. It should not be a man, nor a person, but rather the impersonal "Spirit of truth." He explained further that the "Spirit of truth" would lead mankind into all truth, even to the very source of truth which is God, and it would testify of Him. Now the spirit of Truth is its law,—the law which communicates God's healing power to humanity. That law, moreover, requires a science which can interpret it and be reasonably understood. Since the law is divine, it science must be a divine or Chritian science. That is what Christian Science is,—the spiritual understanding of divine law as applied to the needs of humanity. It is not an invention. It is the discovery of what has always been true, and what always must be the real Comforter to suffering humanity.

C.M.A.C. WINNER

The third and final match in a series of three between the members of Club Citoyens-Americains and the C.M.A.C., was held last evening in the C.M.A.C. headquarters in Pawtucket street, the latter organization winning the contest by 19 points. The contest included whist, cribbage, checkers and pool. Last evening's totals were as follows:

Whist—C.M.A.C., 220; Cit. Am., 148. Pool — C.M.A.C., 262; Cit. Am. 378. Checkers—C.M.A.C., 10; Cit. Am., 10. Cribbage C.M.A.C., 3386; Cit. Am., 3427. Grand total—C.M.A.C., 3878; Citoyens-Americains, 3959, a gain of 81 points for the latter organization. The grand total of the three matches was: C.M.A.C., 11,588; Citoyens-Americains, 11,570, a 19-point margin for the C.M.A.C. representatives.

Members of the C.M.A.C. took the honors once more in the whist and established a 10 to 10 deadlock in the checker contests. In the cribbage games Club Citoyens-Americains landed a 41-point margin and nearly whitewashed the C.M.A.C. in the pool contests by taking 373 out of a possible 400. Results in the pool matches were: W. A. Dragon 50, A. Beauchemin of Nashua, N. H., 100, L. Boule, 100, D. Ducharme, 73, A. Hetu, 100, P. Coulombe, 49 and Albert Pichette, 100, Theophile Boule, 63.



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THE FRENCH MAID SAYS

KEEPING THE DRESSING TABLE NEAT

"Oh dear, I clean my dresser every day and yet it looks dusty and soiled all the time," sighed Marjorie. "It is a lot of work too, to take everything off every day and put them back again."

"Yes, I know," said Marie, "I have noticed how dust seems to collect on the dresser overnight and with the dust is always a lot of talcum powder siftings. It is well nigh impossible to remove all the dressor belongings each day and shake out the cover, but I find that going over the top with a small whisk broom helps matters greatly.

"The idea of having a slab of beveled glass over the embroidery or lace cover does not appeal to many women. It has a coldly neat, but obviously labor saving suggestion, that implies economy in household service, so most dressers are graced with spreads of cretonne, lace embroidery or Swiss, entirely unprotected by glass.

"Cretonne covers are serviceable, but they are not as dainty as covers of embroidery, dotted Swiss or lace trimmed organdie over a lining of colored sateen. This lining should be exactly the size of the sheer cover and not the size of the dresser top. If small metal snap buttons are attacked to the lining and cover at the four corners, the top piece of fabric will not slip or ride over the edge of the dresser as the covers sometime do.

"If cretonne to match curtains or cushions is used to cover the dresser, a strip of white net, first shrunken and pressed out again, should be laid over the cretonne and attached to it around the edges under a fancy edge banding or ball trimming. The veiling of net softens and blends the cretonne colors into a beautiful harmony of delicate tints."

RECOLORING FABRICS AT HOME

"I have a sand colored suit that I wish I knew how to recolor," said Marjorie one morning when making her daily call on her friend Marie. "It is soiled and out of style anyhow now, but the style is all right if I only had it some other color."

"You can do it very easily if you are careful," returned Marie. "Dyeing can be done satisfactorily at home if you will only take plenty of time. First all spots and stains must be removed before dyeing, otherwise a hole may be burned in the material. If it is a grease stain the fat may become more deeply set and hold the dust more than before dyeing.

"Woolen goods should only simmer, not boil violently, and they should not be stirred too frequently for the reason that the tiny hairs would become matted together. Linen requires longer boiling than wool or silk because the fibers are tougher and harder, and the dye takes longer to become permanent. The correct rule is as follows: Woolen goods, gentle simmering; cotton and silk, rather quick boiling; linen fabrics, both long and hard boiling.

"Dyed fabrics must be well rinsed, but it is better not to wring them hard and tight, as some do, thinking they will dry more quickly. They may, but they will dry in streaks. Dry in the shed always, because the setting process goes on during the drying, so if the garments are dried in the sun they will be of uneven color.

"Cotton and mixed goods absorb the dye somewhat more slowly than wool, so if these are allowed to cool in the dye bath, the result will be more satisfactory. Ribbons of good quality dye well, and it is quite safe to attempt at home all kinds of cotton goods including laces.

"Plain surfaces take the dye better than those printed or stamped. The figures always remain after dyeing and usually come out in a different tone from the background. Usually, however, the two tones blend well. Never use more dye than is called for in the directions and always strain the dye carefully after mixing and before it is added to the dye pot."

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Today's Fashion Hint



Dark green duvetyn, closed diagonally with bone buttons and trimmed with skunk fur, makes a dashing, practical coat. The bottom is bordered with black velvet under the fur, and the slit collar is reinforced with the velvet also.

SECOND DAY OF FAIR

The second day of the fair of the Women's Auxiliary being held in the Y.M.C.A. building yesterday proved even more successful than the opening day. There was a large number of patrons and all bought generously from the sales tables. A chicken pie supper was served. An entertainment which included vocal selection by Miss Edith Sanders, accompanied by Miss Bernice Libby, readings by W. H. Booth and piano solos by Paul Savage was given.

MONEY FOR STRIKERS

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor council held last night it was voted to donate $25 to the Nashua moulders on strike and a similar sum to the relief of the Springfield corset workers. In the absence of the president and vice president the meeting was presided over by Secretary Charles E. Anderson.

COAL AND ICE COMPANY

The annual meeting of the Manchester Coal & Ice Co., will be held at the C.M.A.C. hall, this city, Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 17, at 2 p. m. It is expected that the meeting will be largely attended for the election of officers will be held and considerable business will be transacted including the report of the secretary, treasurer and general manager.

The present officers of the company are as follows: William Marcotte, Jr., Manchester, N. H., president; Albert J. Precourt, Manchester, treasurer; Geo. Bergeron, Manchester, secretary; Arthur L. Eno, Esq., Lowell, clerk; John T. Levasseur, Manchester, director and Col. William Marcotte, Sr., Manchester, director and general manager.

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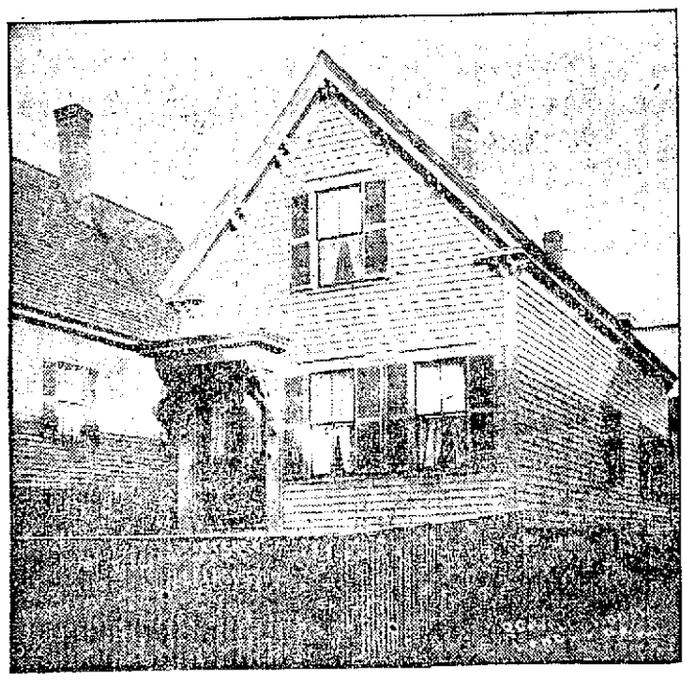


HIS EMINENCE WILLIAM CARDINAL O'CONNELL

Congratulatory messages from all over the archdiocese of Boston poured in today on His Eminence, William Cardinal O'Connell on the occasion of his 57th birthday anniversary. In observance of the event the cardinal was the celebrant of the 9 o'clock mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross today. He was attended by the rector, Rev. William J. Finnegan and by the other clergymen of the parish and at the close of the services he gave his blessing to the congregation. The league of Catholic women of which Rt. Rev. Mgr. M. J. Splaine is chaplain attended in a body and through their president, Mrs. Thomas Dwight, presented the cardinal a magnificent hand embroidered silk canopy to be used in the processions of the Blessed Sacrament. Many other gifts were sent to the cardinal's residence by hosts of friends and members of his flock.

Cardinal O'Connell was born in Lowell, in an humble cottage on Gorham street, Dec. 8, 1859, and his rise to the position of a prince of the Catholic church has been one of the most remarkable stories, the first chapters of which have been written in this city. When raised to the cardinalate he was one of the youngest in the church, but already his great vigor of mind and body, his scholarly attainments, his zeal and perseverance in all pertaining to his faith have set him apart as one of the most noted figures in the sacred college. His work for organization and federation especially reflects his constructive ability and as his aims have borne fruit he has found a warm place in the hearts of his people.

After attending the Lowell schools, Cardinal O'Connell went to Boston college after graduating from which he entered the American college in Rome in 1881. He was ordained a priest in 1884, appointed rector of the college in 1895; named domestic prelate in 1897 and was appointed bishop of Portland, Me., in 1901. In 1905 he was named as assistant at the pontifical throne and selected by Pope Pius X. as special envoy on a papal mission to the emperor of Japan. In December, 1905, he was given the Grand Cordon of the Sacred Treasure by the mikado and in 1906 he was named archbishop of Constance and coadjutor with succession of Boston. In March, 1906, he succeeded the late Archbishop Williams and was made one of the three American cardinals of the Catholic church. Besides his great labors for church extension and organization he has composed many hymns of great beauty and his addresses and sermons have been collected and published in book form. The cardinal has spoken several times in Lowell and has always declared his love for it and its tenderness with which he recalls his childhood days here. When given a great welcome on his return from Rome as a prince of the church one of his first visits was to the grave of his parents in St. Patrick's cemetery. Last Sunday His Eminence attended the observance of the centenary of the Oblate order at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in this city. He is still in excellent health.



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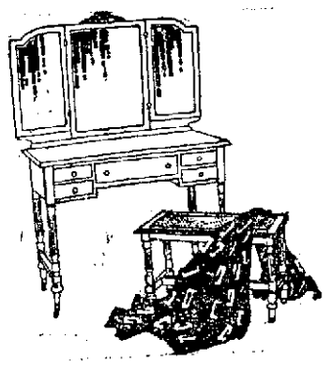
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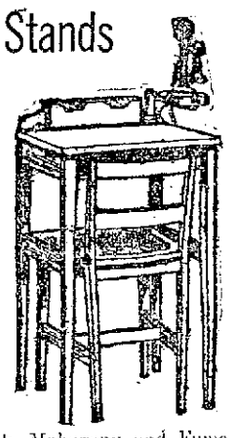
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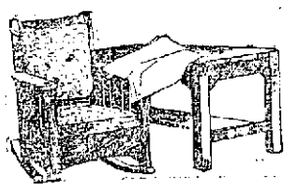
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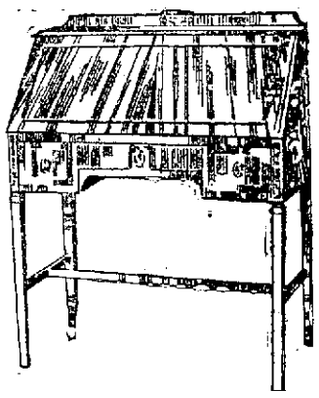
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INDIA ON THRESHOLD OF NEW INDUSTRIAL ERA

SIMLA, India, Dec. — India is on the threshold of a new industrial era, according to the opinion expressed generally by Indian and British business men and officials. This country, with its vast natural resources, is now in a comparatively undeveloped state industrially, but a great wave of sentiment in favor of instituting measures to insure immediate and substantial progress along this line appears to be sweeping the nation.

A concrete indication of the recognition of this feeling may be seen in the recent appointment by the government of an Indian industrial commission, made up of prominent British and Indian experts, who are about to start out from Simla on a country-wide tour for the purpose of investigating industrial possibilities and making a report upon which the government can inaugurate measures that will enable India to meet trade conditions after the war. In appointing this commission the government announced that it believed the time had come to take up in a more comprehensive manner the question of the development of Indian industries and manufactures, and expressed sympathy with the eager desire of a large number of the people for advancement.

Several reasons are assigned for the seemingly sudden arousal of India from the lethargy which has acted as a damper to progress industrially thus far. The principal causes named are these:

India today is more prosperous than ever before in its history, and money is plentiful. This is due largely to the fact that the last four monsoon seasons, upon which the all important crops depend, have been good.

The war also has played an important part in this change of feeling. For one thing it has taught the people of India the importance of the world outside their own country. The vast bulk of the population is illiterate, and many for the first time are beginning to get an idea of geography, to learn that India is not the hub of the universe and that the world is filled with great nations which depend upon industry and trade for their power. They also have seen that many of the necessities and luxuries which they were wont to get from other countries, and which might have been produced at home, have been cut off by the war.

Finally, industrial education, which has been increasing slowly but steadily, has had its effect. Years of labor in the various industrial schools appear now to be bearing considerable fruit.

The efforts of the government in the past to build up new industries have disclosed the existence of many difficulties. Indian capital has been unenterprising and timid, skilled labor has been lacking, and there has been a want of practical information regarding the commercial potentialities of India's raw products. As a result there are only two manufacturing industries of any magnitude. They are jute and cotton.

Outside these two businesses the country has depended almost entirely on foreign nations or other parts of the British empire for its manufactured goods. Huge quantities of raw materials of almost every description have been exported annually and many of them have reappeared on the Indian markets in the manufactured form. The same ships which have brought in leather, oils, paper, iron and steel goods, dyes and various other products, have reloaded with the raw materials from which these very things were made.

Industrial experts say that the Indian consumer probably has bought his goods as cheaply in most cases as he could if they had been manufactured at home, but that India has sacrificed the financial gain and other advantages accruing to the country which has its own factories. For one thing, the product of raw materials, having no alternative market has been forced to accept the prices quoted him from abroad, and many times the figures have been excessively low. It is held that the establishment of a home market would protect him against such losses. The Indian working man, too, has suffered in that the higher wages which might have been coming to him have been going into the pockets of foreign artisans. Outside the actual monetary question, great stress is being laid on the national stability derived by the nation which has its working classes profitably employed.

The commission which has been appointed to investigate the great problem is made up of ten experts, headed by Sir Thomas Holland, president of the Institution of Mining Engineers of the United Kingdom and widely known as an industrial authority. The scope of inquiry is so comprehensive that it will take several months to complete the program laid out. In this the commission will peruse itself to suggest the most profitable lines of action with the object of drawing out capital now idle, of building up an artisan population of carrying on the scientific and technical researches required to test the known raw materials and to design and improve processes of manufacture, of distributing the information obtained from researches and from the results of experience in other countries, and of developing the machinery for financing industrial undertakings and marketing products.

There are numerous industrial enterprises which many feel may be embarked upon profitably in the near future. Among these is the leather industry. India exports great quantities of hides heretofore most of these have been sent to America and Germany to be tanned, and it is said that there is no reason why some of this work should not be done at home. The other leading possibilities extend include the expressing of oil from oil seeds, the manufacture of paper pulp, the making of glass, the production of dyes from the plentiful raw materials at hand, and the extraction of perfumes, essential oils and drugs. There is also room for great expansion in the iron and steel industries, which are still in their infancy, as well as in the smelting of aluminum, tin, zinc and copper ores.

One of the important questions to be solved by the commission is that of what form government aid to new industries shall take. It is generally believed that the government will be obliged to render technical assistance, possibly through the establishment of central research laboratories, and will also give financial aid in some form, either direct or indirect. What government backing will be necessary to create confidence and draw out capital is generally conceded by most students of the problem.

Among the methods of government financial aid which have been suggested, and which will be considered by the commission, are those: supply of machinery and plant by the government on the hire purchase system; guaranteed dividends for a limited period, with or without subsequent refund to the government of the expenditure incurred in paying dividends at the guaranteed rate; guaranteed purchase of products for limited periods; concessions of land, special railway transport facilities and rates; bounties and subsidies; protecting industries and handing them over to private companies, and loan of services of government employe experts.

In addition to its other work the commission will consider the vital matter of India's trade policy after the war. In general it may be said that the members will look into the problems taken up at the recent conference of the allies in Paris. This question, of course, is not open to public discussion at present, but obviously the future trade relations between India and the United States and other neutrals will form a prominent part of the deliberations.

NEWS FROM SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS.

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EXPERIENCES OF THE U. S AVIATORS IN MEXICO

FIELD HEADQUARTERS, AMERICAN PUNITIVE EXPEDITION IN MEXICO, Nov. — (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—"Get there and back" is the motto of the punitive expedition's aero squadron. Censorship restrictions have placed an almost impenetrable hedge about the army aviators, but it may be said the squadron has lived up to its motto.

Flights are not begun at sea level, where the propeller blades can grip the air, but at a height of 5300 to 7000 feet, where the atmosphere is thin. The mountain, canons and sun-baked plains plus the altitude, combine to produce air currents and pockets that are a constant source of peril.

In one case a pilot went through that nightmare of all aviators, a spiral nose dive. The machine was flying at an altitude of 5000 feet, which is more than 10,000 above sea level, when it struck an air pocket. Clouds obscured the pilot's vision and he had no idea where he was. When he realized that manipulation of his controls produced no effect, he glanced at his compass. It was turned sideways, indicating that his plane was falling with its wings at right angles to the earth. Carefully he reversed his controls, fearing that too quick a reverse would crumple the planes. Several times he did that. At last he felt them take hold.

Just then, the clouds thinned and he saw the earth not more than 500 feet beneath him. He had fallen like a plummet at least 4000 feet.

Another pilot at an altitude of several thousand feet early one morning noticed a sheet of flame shoot from the hood of his machine. Startled, he began to volplane down, seeking a place to land. He throttled down the motor and the flame receeded. When he gave the engine gas a few moments later to regain momentum, the flame reappeared. Several times this occurred. Finally, he glided to earth and got out to inspect the aeroplane. Everything seemed in good shape. There were no signs of fire. The flame he had seen had been the rays of the early morning sun gleaming on the highly polished, red blades of his propeller.

WOMEN'S PEACE PARTY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The national women's peace party of which Miss Jane Adams of Chicago is president, opened a three day convention here today. Subjects for discussion include military training, neutral action to shorten the war, unions to enforce peace, war investments and the conditions of dependent nations in the war.

CONG. TRIBBLE DEAD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Representative Samuel J. Tribble, democrat, of Athens, Ga., died here today as the result of a stroke of apoplexy. He was serving his third term in congress.

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POPULATION ESTIMATE OF U.S. FOR JAN. 1, 1917

WASHINGTON, Nov. — Population estimates of each of the United States for January 1, 1917, as determined by the bureau of the census which based its calculations upon the increase as shown by the federal censuses of 1900 and 1910, have just been announced as follows.

Continental United States	102,826,309
Alabama	2,348,273
Arizona	259,666
Arkansas	1,753,022
California	2,582,843
Colorado	975,190
Connecticut	1,284,926
Delaware	214,270
District of Columbia	366,631
Florida	904,839
Georgia	2,875,653
Idaho	435,881
Illinois	6,192,626
Indiana	2,826,154
Iowa	2,224,771
Kansas	1,840,707
Kentucky	2,386,866
Louisiana	1,843,042
Maine	774,914
Maryland	1,568,240
Massachusetts	3,747,564
Michigan	3,074,560
Minnesota	2,296,024
Mississippi	1,964,122
Missouri	3,426,143
Montana	466,214
Nebraska	1,277,758
Nevada	108,736
New Hampshire	443,467
New Jersey	2,981,105
New Mexico	416,966
New York	10,366,778
North Carolina	2,418,556
North Dakota	752,260
Ohio	5,181,220
Oklahoma	2,246,968
Oregon	848,866
Pennsylvania	8,591,029
Rhode Island	620,090
South Carolina	1,634,340
South Dakota	707,740
Tennessee	2,296,316
Texas	4,472,494
Utah	438,974
Vermont	364,322
Virginia	2,202,522
Washington	1,565,810
West Virginia	1,399,320
Wisconsin	2,513,758
Wyoming	182,264
Outlying Possessions	
Alaska	64,873
(a) Guam	12,866
Hawaii	217,660
(b) Panama Canal Zone	31,048
Philippine Islands	$8,879,999
Porto Rico	1,223,981
(a) Samoa	7,426
(c) Total United States	113,309,285

(a) Enumeration by governor, 1913.
(b) Police census, 1916.
(c) Includes 45,123 persons in military and naval service stationed abroad.

WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

To the woman who persists in ruing her hair by the use of a hot iron, Hortense gives the following advice: Rub the scalp twice a week with a little olive oil to make the hair grow. Do not use curling iron on the hair again. Get electric curlers and do the hair up on them for two or three hours and you will find it nicely curled.

A home made dye to darken hair which has faded from a brown is made from two ounces of walnut shells, quarter of an ounce of alum, and four ounces of olive oil. Heat together in a water bath until the water has been completely evaporated, then filter and perfume.

A good formula for too oily hair is made from alcohol two ounces witch hazel two ounces and fourteen grains of resorcin. Use daily, rubbing well into the scalp.

Hortense says because your mothers and grandmothers' mouth curved downward at the corners is no excuse for yours doing likewise. A contented mind and cheerful disposition has a wonderful effect on the mouth. Stand before your mirror and note the effect of different expressions on the corners of your mouth.

Learn to keep the lips closed but not pressed firmly together, or drawn down at the corners. Don't have a perpetual smile but cultivate a pleasant expression and the corners will then incline up instead of down. Your mirror is a good teacher.

For the complexion eat an orange before your breakfast and three during the day. They will act as a laxative, aid digestion and clear the skin. Masticate all food thoroughly and take a brisk walk of at least a mile every day regardless of the weather, and dress according to the weather.

When packing for a trip, always remember, says Hortense, to put all the heaviest things at the bottom of the trunk. Evening dresses, perishable waists and all such dainty things should be put on top where you can reach them. Hang them up as soon as you trunks arrive at your destination. A hat trunk is not a necessity. Put your hat on the top tray of your trunk and secure it with push pins to the bottom. Unless the brim is wide this will do no harm.

Stuff the bodies of waists, light dresses, etc., with tissue paper. Roll the paper into light balls, never tightly. The result should look like an article just sent from the cleaner's.

Eight or nine hours' sleep is, at the most, all that a woman should need. More sleep will only produce heaviness and langour. Even after a prolonged loss of rest one should not sleep more than ten hours at one time, even for one night.

If you want rosy cheeks you will have to be careful of your diet. Eat simple, nourishing foods, avoid pastries, sweets and all rich and spicy foods and oily meats such as pork and veal. Drink milk, cocoa and chocolate instead of tea and coffee. Pure air, pure water, and pure food are the first essentials to a pure complexion. So are sunlight, out of door exercises and sleep. A cheerful disposition has much to do with one's health.

Pimples on the face are very often the result of impure blood. The old fashioned remedy of sulphur and molasses is an excellent remedy for this annoyance and bar to beauty. Mix two tablespoons of sulphur to one of molasses and take a tablespoon each morning before breakfast for three mornings. Then stop for a morning and take it again in the same periods for about two weeks. During this time be careful of your diet.

When using the eyes constantly one should be very careful of the light, which should always fall over the left shoulder. At night before one begins to use the eyes wet a soft cloth with hot water, lay it on the eyes and lie flat on the back for ten minutes. Then bathe the eyes with cold water. Nothing is harder on the eyes than to have the light facing you directly.

The electric needle is the only satisfactory way to shape the brows. If the face is round and full they should not be shaped too narrow. A slender face can wear a narrow brow. In every case they must be arched more or less and all the uneven hairs removed. If the brows are thin use a little vaseline on them every night. Brush it in very carefully just where you want the hair to grow.

Do not ever pick blackheads as that is likely to cause unsightly pimples and sores. Wash the face in hot water and use a pure soap freely on it. Apply cloths wrung from hot water until the pores are well open, then rub in a good cold cream to soften the skin. Now with a flat, blunt instrument like a watch key, press gently on each blackhead and the dirt will roll out.

CAN'T FIND DANDRUFF

Every bit of dandruff disappears after one or two applications of Danderine rubbed well into the scalp with the finger tips. Get a 25-cent bottle of Danderine at any drug store and save you hair. After a few applications you can't find a particle of dandruff or any falling hair, and the scalp will never itch.

EVEN CROSS, SICK CHILDREN LOVE SYRUP OF FIGS

If feverish, bilious, constipated, give fruit laxative at once.

Don't scold your fretful, peevish child. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with sour waste.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomach-ache, indigestion, diarhoea, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul waste, and sour bile and fermenting food passes out of the bowels and you have a well and playful child again. Children love this harmless "fruit laxative," and mothers can rest easy after giving it, because it never fails to make their little "insides" clean and sweet.

Keep it handy, Mother! A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember there are counterfeits sold here, so surely look and see that yours is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

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THE MERRIMACK NEEDS 18 FOOT CHANNEL

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—"The Merrimack river needs an 18 foot channel, at least," said Hon. John N. Cole, chairman of the Massachusetts waterways commission at a hearing before the board of army engineers today. The hearing was on an appeal taken by Congressman Greene of Fall River on an adverse report for improvements on the Taunton river, but a question by Col. Abbott, who was presiding, turned the talk for a few minutes, aside from the main topic to the Merrimack river.

Mr. Cole had stated that Massachusetts endorsed the Taunton project and urged that a 12 foot channel be secured unless one of greater depth could be obtained. "Would a 12 foot depth be sufficient for the Merrimack?" interrupted Col. Abbott. "The Merrimack is an entirely different proposition," replied Mr. Cole. "The tremendous manufacturing and other industrial interests along the Merrimack which are already established make at least an 18 foot channel desirable." Mr Cole then spoke in brief detail of the great industries along the banks of the Merrimack and told what the state was doing for its waterways, and it was then that Col. Abbott paid a high tribute to the generosity and loyalty of Massachusetts, saying "I wish all states were as loyal and patriotic as is Massachusetts." RICHARDS.

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Ladies' 3/4 Wool, Silk and Wool, and All Wool Vests, second quality, were $1, $1.50....75c
Ladies' Medium Weight Vests and Pants, second quality, were 62c 50c
Ladies' Light Weight Union Suits, low neck, no sleeves, trimmed and cuff knee, were 50c...29c
Ladies' Lisle Vests, Dutch neck, short sleeves; low neck, short sleeves, regular and extra sizes, were 50c 29c
Boys' Heavy Gray Fleeced Suits, 50c and 59c

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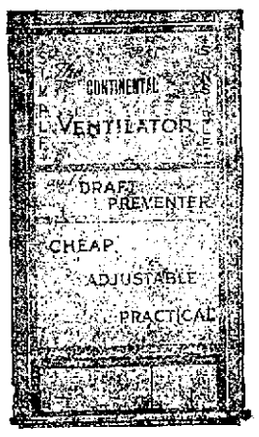
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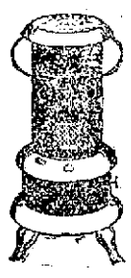
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HUCK TOWELS—Union linen, assorted weight and quality, worth 19c each, second quality, at 15c Each
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BLEACHED TURKISH TOWELS—Fringed, extra good quality, size 16x30 inches, worth 10c each, at 8c Each
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BLEACHED TURKISH TOWELS—Size 18x37, good heavy quality, hemmed, worth 15c each, at 12½c Each
TURKISH TOWELS—Large size, hemmed, good quality, size 21x44, worth 25c each, at .....20c Each
EXTRA LARGE TURKISH TOWELS—Hemmed, good heavy quality, 42x22, worth 35c each, at 25c Each
SPECIAL—100 dozen individual Huck Towels, fine quality, hemstitched, size 16x24, 15c value, at 10c Each

Palmer Street—Basement

MAJ. GEN. SCOTT SAYS VOLUNTEER MILITARY SYSTEM A FAILURE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The volunteer military system again has proved itself a failure and should be relegated to the past, declares Major-General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, in his annual report made public last night. Basing his conclusions on the showing of the federalized national guard, when mobilized for border duty, and the fact that strenuous recruiting campaigns for both the regulars and guardsmen have produced negligible results, General Scott says:

"In my judgment, the country will never be prepared for defense until we do as other great nations do that have large interests to guard, like Germany, Japan and France, where everybody is ready and does perform military service in time of peace as he would pay every other tax, and is willing to make sacrifices for the protection he gets and the country gets in return. There is no reason why one woman's son should go out and defend or be trained to defend another woman and her son who refuses to take training or give service. The only democratic method is for every man in his youth to become trained in order that he may render efficient service if called upon in war."

Taking up the question of the National Guard in its federal status, General Scott declares the training period of 75 days in three years provided by the new national defense act is wholly inadequate.

"In my judgment," he says, "it precludes this force from being made fit for war service until it has received at least six months' additional training in time of war."

Takes Year to Make Soldier

The report reiterates the opinion that it takes a year of intensive training to make a soldier and adds that the country and congress appear to have a vital misconception of the facts in this regard. Unless the federalized guard which congress substituted for the citizen volunteer army advocated by the general staff can be given greater training, General Scott says, the country faces a serious situation.

"And it is very doubtful," he continues, "if we will be able to do so and keep the force recruited. The difficulty that is now being experienced in obtaining recruits for the regular army and for the National Guard in service on the border, raises sharply the question of whether we will be able to recruit the troops authorized in the national defense act."

In spite of the fact that the preparedness agitation stimulated interest while the effort now being made to bring the border forces up to war strength, General Scott asserts, three months of recruiting left many national guard units still below minimum strength. Every effort was made to get the men, he says, a house-to-house canvass being conducted in some sections.

"The failure," says the report, "should make the whole people to realize that the volunteer system does not and probably will not give up either the men we need for training in peace or for service in war."

Statistics on Mobilization

General Scott gives at length statistics on the National Guard mobilization available when his report was written September 30. He shows that in eleven states with 16,600 enrolled guardsmen at the time of the call, more than 10 per cent. failed to respond and 29 per cent. of the remainder could not pass required physical tests, making the force 43 per cent. raw recruits when it went to the border. Brought up to war strength, he says, the force would have been 75 per cent. green men and useless for war purposes for many months.

"These figures probably hold good for the entire body of the National Guard," the report adds.

An aggregate force of 151,096 officers and men of the guard were mustered into the federal service under the call and about 110,957 were on the border a month and a half after the call was issued. The general commends highly the efficiency of the railroads in handling the mobilization.

Turning to recruiting in the regular army, the report says that the service was 29,130 short of its authorized strength on August 31, last. Between March 15, when congress authorized bringing the army up to war strength by adding 20,000 men and August 31, only 8,463 additional men were enrolled.

"It is cause for very sober consideration on the part of every citizen of the country, when the fact is fully understood." General Scott says that "the units of the National Guard and the regular army have not been recruited up to war strength in the crisis we have just passed through."

The report shows that the mobilized National Guard force not only was more than 97,000 below war strength, but was more than 4,000 below authorized minimum peace strength.

General Scott urges a drastic censorship law to protect military secrets in time of war and submits with his approval the draft of a proposed statute drawn by a special board of army and navy officers. It would authorize the president to prohibit publication of facts, rumors or speculations regarding military matters except when passed by a censor, the penalty being a fine of not more than $10,000, or imprisonment not to exceed three years or both where a man or officer or agent of a corporation is involved, or a fine of $20,000 where a corporation is involved.

Brig. Gen. Weaver's Report

The report of Brigadier-General Weaver, chief of coast artillery, which accompanies that of General Scott, says that with slight additional increases over the 264 guns proposed to be added to the coast defenses in the program approved by congress last year, "the coast defenses will be able to meet successfully any attack that can reasonably be expected to be made upon them or upon the cities, harbors or interests that they guard by the most powerful warships afloat or at present projected."

General Weaver points out, however, that national guard units of the corps are 166 officers and 6,469 men short of their prescribed complement. The coast states of New Jersey, Delaware, Florida, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas, he says, have raised no troops for this service.

Judge Advocate-General Crowder in his report also made public, reviews desertion records for eight years back to show that the 1916 figure was the lowest during that time. The true percentage was 1.81, he says, although the reported figure was 2.4. The lowest previous record was 1.93 in 1911.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Boys of Parish and Boy Scouts Guests of Men of the Round Table Last Night

The Men of the Round Table of the First Baptist church acted as hosts to the boys of the parish and 150 Boy Scouts last night. The evening was spent in a very enjoyable manner. An excellent supper was served during the early part of the evening and this was followed by a demonstration by various Boy Scout troops of this city and suburbs.

Gray's Banjo-Mandolin orchestra furnished a pleasing musical program during the supper.

F. E. Kimball, president of the Men of the Round Table, had general charge of the affair and its success was due in a large measure to his zealous and untiring work.

Luther W. Faulkner, commissioner of the Boy Scouts of this district and Field Executive J. Kiberd, were present and about 150 other members of the troops. The first number given after the supper was the demonstration of tenderfoot work by the members of Troop 18 of the First Baptist church, directed by Scoutmaster Harry L. Woodman. Assistant Scoutmaster E. H. Gunther and members of Troop 11 of Dracut executed the setting up exercises and gave a good demonstration of life saving, while Scoutmaster William Radcliff and members of troop of the Chelmsford Street Baptist church gave a demonstration of general bandaging and Boy Scout games. J. R. Kiberd, assistant scoutmaster of Troop 17, gave a demonstration of fire-making and R. G. Carlson of Troop 16 gave an exhibition of advanced first-aid work. The entire program proved unusually interesting and was greatly appreciated by the audience.

The supper was served by the members of the Ladies' Benevolent society of the church, of which Mrs. Gilman Allcott is president. The pastor, Rev. A. C. Archibald, spoke briefly to the boys.

ALPHABET FAIR

St. Anne's Parish House Scene of Great Activity Yesterday — Entertainment by Guild of St. Cecilia

Luncheon at noon and minstrels in the evening were the features of the second day of the Alphabet fair at St. Anne's parish house yesterday. The attendance during the afternoon and evening was large and this event has proven to be one of the most successful ever conducted in aid of the church.

The excellent luncheon from noon until two o'clock yesterday afternoon attracted a large number of people and the three rooms on the first floor were transformed into dining rooms and over 200 people discussed an excellent menu.

The principal attraction last night was the entertainment given by the girls of the Guild of St. Cecilia. It took the form of a minstrel show, announced as "Aunt Jemina's Minstrels," and every member of the chorus was made up to resemble the colored woman who made the flapjacks famous.

The end "men" were Gladys Kenyon, Irene Mellen, Lillian Cronshaw, Clara Watson, Edith Cronshaw and Edith Dainton. Miss Mary Campbell was interlocutor. Miss Amy Williams, the pianist, was pleasantly remembered by the guild girls, who presented her a beautiful bouquet of chrysanthemums.

The musical program was as follows:

Overture, "Keep the Home Fires Burning," chorus; "My Own Iona," Gladys Kenyon; "Turn Back the Universe," Lillian Ashworth; "There's a Quaker Down in Quaker Town," Clara Watson; "Mighty Lak a Rose," Clementine Verloore; "It's Nice to Get Up in the Morning," Alice Miller; "And They Called it Dixie Land," Sophie Hughes; "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," Rose Reay; "Yaka Hula Hickey Dula," Irene Mellen; "Take Me to My Alabam," Edith Dainton; "In the Sweet Long Ago," Nellie Asbury; "Where is My Mamma?" Elsie Wilkinson; "When Evening Shadows Fall," Mabel Dickson; finale, "A Perfect Day," Margaret Clough and chorus.

Just previous to the minstrel overture, 20 or more of the younger girls, members of the Guild of St. Agnes, sang "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" and "Just a Song at Twilight." They were led by Alex Williams, who also directed the minstrels.

PRES. WILSON TO GO WEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Wilson is seriously considering making a trip west next spring.

When invited yesterday by Speaker Clark to speak before the School of Journalism of Missouri university in May, the president said that if possible he would like to visit the west after congress adjourned in March and that if he did so he would accept the invitation.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. —The famous White House collection of china, containing specimens from the table service of all the presidents except two has been placed in a room specially prepared for it, under the supervision of Mrs. Wilson in the executive mansion. It is Mrs. Wilson's intention to increase the collection, if possible, and the specimens have been so placed in cabinets as to leave room for expansion. The new room was prepared while the president and his family were at Shadow Lawn for the summer.

Before leaving for Shadow Lawn Mrs. Wilson went over plans for the change with Mrs. Abby Gunn Baker, in charge of the collection, and instructed her to select some of the pieces of old china, glass and plate, which were stored in White House closets, and place them in the new cabinet.

While the collection, which Mrs. Baker has been building up for several years, includes pieces from every president except two, some administrations are represented inadequately, and she is continuing her work in the hope of making it really representative.

Eventually the walls of the room are to be lined with cabinets for the collection, but at present only the first line has been put in. It extends the entire length of the room and is in harmony with the architecture of the White House interior modeled after the Georgian period. The woodwork is of ivory white. The shelves are lined with handsome velvet, which gives a perfect background for the china as well as for the silver and glass. The furniture of the room is a part of the set, used in the East room during the administration of President McKinley, and is upholstered in brocaded satin of a light yellow tint.

Mrs. Baker made a search of the historic ware already in the White House, and placed in the central section of the new cabinet some of the oldest pieces of silver and glass in the mansion. The Washington and John Adams relics are also displayed from the center to the right. On the left of the cabinet the relics are arranged in chronological order, of presidential administrations. Mrs. Baker is in correspondence with a number of the presidential descendants who are contemplating gifts to the collection.



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Men's $2.50 Pants	$2.00	Ladies' $5.00 Serge Skirts	$3.98
Men's $2.00 Soft or Derby Hats	$1.65	Ladies' $1.50 House Dresses	79c
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Men's $2.50 Sweaters	$1.95	Boys' $5.00 Two Pant Suits	$3.95
Men's $1.00 Winter Union Suits	79c	Boys' $8.00 Overcoats	$6.50
Men's 59c Natural Ribbed Underwear	48c	Boys' $1.00 Knicker Pants	79c
Men's $1.50 Negligee Shirts	95c	Boys' 50c Caps	39c
Men's $1.00 Soft Cuff Shirts	69c	Boys' Fleece Lined Underwear	19c
Ladies' $25.00 Suits	$19.75		

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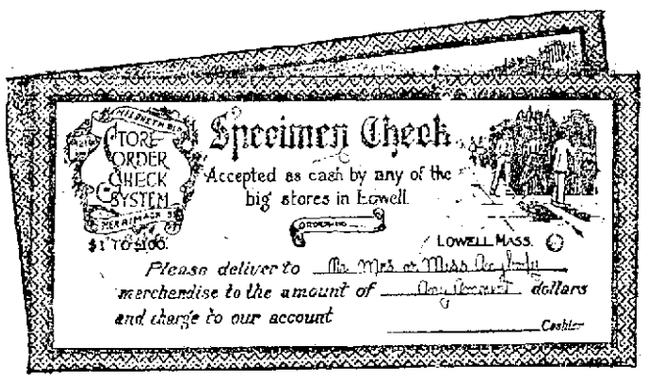
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DANIELS SAYS U.S. MUST CONTINUE TO INCREASE ITS NAVAL POWER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Until all nations agree to reduce their armament, the United States must continue to increase its naval power, Secretary Daniels declares in his annual report, made public last night, and which urges that funds be appropriated at once to begin building 42 additional ships.

"I feel it my duty to warn as solemnly as I may," the secretary says after reciting the high expenditures for the navy authorized at the last session of congress, "against the danger that lies in a possible feeling on the part of our people that the navy has now been attended to, has been placed where it belongs, among the great navies of the world, and there is nothing further to be done. Complacent retrospection is the father of dry rot. We have made a magnificent beginning, but it must not be forgotten by the public that the same intelligent appreciation of our needs, the same willingness to provide for these needs, must be shown this year and every succeeding year if we are to finish what we have commenced."

Secretary Daniels recalls that the 1917 appropriation bill carries provision for a possible limitation of armament agreement.

"I earnestly hope the time is not far distant when this act of congress will result in such an agreement," he continues, "and that the nations of earth will have the statesmanship to devise effective means of preserving the world's peace without constantly building ever increasing dreadnaughts at ever increasing cost. Until that hour arrives, the United States cannot safely adopt any policy other than that of continuing the policy of steadily increasing its naval strength."

Picturing the result of construction now contemplated, Secretary Daniels says the main fighting elements of the fleet, completed and in commission in 1921, will be 27 dreadnaughts of the first line, supported by six battle cruisers, 25 second line battleships, 13 scout cruisers, 108 destroyers, 12 fleet submarines and 130 coast defense submersibles. While there is no possibility of predicting what rank among the naval powers the country will then take, he adds, the authorization of such a program has been accepted as assurance that the United States has definitely embarked on the policy of building an adequate navy.

The secretary devotes much attention to discussion of the problems encountered by the department in getting the new ships laid down. Building facilities and skilled labor are lacking, he says, and the program he has recommended for 1918, featured by three battleships and one battle cruiser, will tax private and public plants to their utmost, even with the increased building equipment authorized for navy yards. It was for that reason, the secretary adds, that he did not follow the general board's recommendation and urge that the four of the six remaining battleships of the three year program and both of the battle cruisers be laid down at once.

The board states in its report accompanying that of the secretary, that its information as to building facilities indicates the 1918 program outlined could be built. It also recommends the addition of twelve mine sweepers, one supply ship and two seagoing tugs to the total of the 156-ship three-year program.

Secretary Daniels indicates clearly the difficulties faced by the department, however, in the following language:

"The last naval bill does not give to the department any additional or extraordinary powers in connection with placing the contracts for these vessels or in obtaining materials for their construction. It is hoped that the necessity will not arise of having to ask for such powers, as a number of ship builders and manufacturers have shown an attitude of willingness to assist the department in meeting the unusual situation created by the desire of the country to commence and to expedite an entirely unprecedented naval program at a time when the industrial resources of the country are already taxed to their utmost capacity in meeting the demands of tremendous trade activity, both domestic and foreign, in every branch of business. It may be necessary, however, for congress to enact legislation of this character to insure the early completion of the program of construction."

The report touches briefly on many activities of the navy department and commends highly the new organization and co-ordination that is being effected by Admiral Benson, chief of operations. In addition to the report of the general board, a full statement by Admiral Benson is appended, showing the rapid progress being made in every line of development. The most disappointing feature of the year, according to the general board and Admiral Benson, has been the slow progress with development of naval aircraft.

"Undoubtedly much preliminary work has been done experimentally which does not show," the board says, "but the application of this very important branch of the service to the practical uses of the fleet has not yet been fully developed. Satisfactory aircraft do not appear as yet to be available for use with the fleet."

The board recommends a new organization of the flying service under a directing officer in the office of the chief of operations. While admitting the slowness of aeronautical development, Admiral Benson expresses the hope that a big machine designed and built by the navy and now under test may solve the problems encountered.

The report shows that the navy now has seventeen aeroplanes in active service and that 60 more have been ordered. In addition, several French and British made machines have been ordered.

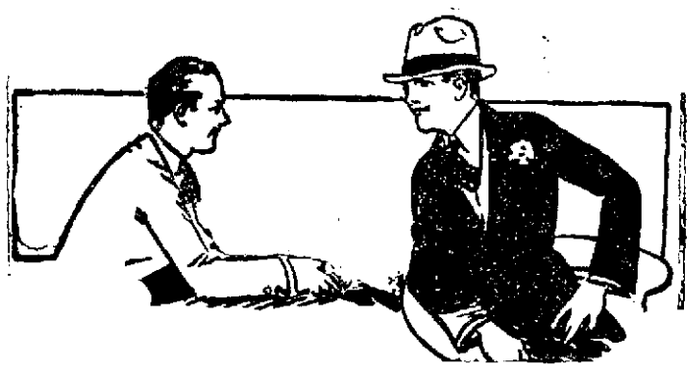
In its brief review of the European war, the general board finds nothing to warrant modification of its previous belief that the battleship is "the backbone of the sea power of a nation." For this reason, the report adds, the board has determined that the number, power and size of the guns to be placed aboard new battleships should be increased without sacrificing armor, speed or cruising radius. Larger ships must be built to contain all these characteristics, the report continues, and for the 1918 ships, the board has recommended "the most powerful battery which it believes can be constructed having due regard to the present state of the art of building heavy ordnance in this country."

It is shown that the batteries decided upon to meet these requirements will be 12 16-inch, 50 caliber guns for each ship. A test gun is now being built.

Discussing enlistments in the navy, Secretary Daniels shows that congress has authorized an immediate increase of 26,000 men, only 2,524 of whom have been obtained.

"Here again lie new and serious problems," he says. "More than ordinary methods must be used to persuade young men to decline countless opportunities opening before them in commercial life in favor of service with the government.

"Were it not for the gratifying results in enlistments already shown, as a result of the policy of the last few years of offering educational advantages, particularly along technical lines, to our recruits, I would feel indeed that the problem of securing the men authorized for our fleets was an almost hopeless one. As it is I feel sure it will be solved, but it is still a problem and what I desire in this report is to warn the public against considering that the mere passage of laws authorizing additional men is equivalent to having these men actually on board our ships."



An Everyday Conversation

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Bill: Yes, how do you like it?

Jack: Great! How much?

Bill: How much do you think?

Jack: $25 at least.

Bill: Nope! $15.

Jack: It can't be done.

Bill: Sure it can. It's a P&Q

Jack: Gee! How do they do it. It's got a $25 look, fit, style and quality.

Bill: Well! This is the way I've got it figured out. They've got 20 stores thruout the country, this means a big reduction in operating expenses and a big increase in purchasing power. These stores own their own tailoring plant in New York. With a big volume of business direct from maker-to-wearer they have got the advantage over the other merchants in town who have only one store and have to buy their clothes from some manufacturer. You see, the P&Q Shop makes its own clothes and sells 'em to you at the same price the advertised brands of clothing are sold to the ordinary merchant.

Jack: I get you! It's just like going to the clothing manufacturer himself and getting a suit at wholesale.

Bill: That's the idea. You save **$5** to **$10** every time you buy a P&Q **$15** Suit or Overcoat.

Jack: How about the variety of the P&Q Shop?

Bill: Twice as many as any other shop in town, and when I say that I mean—in styles, sizes and patterns.

Jack: Well! I WAS from "Missouri" but you've "showed" me one of their customers from now on.

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AMERICANS ARE STRANDED IN SYRIA

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Steps are now being taken here whereby the return home of such American citizens as are stranded in Syria may be effected if the Turkish government will permit their return.

One hundred of more such Americans are now marooned in Syria and Congressman Winslow of the fourth Massachusetts district has this week been in conference with the state department as to means of bringing them home. Among the number is a Worcester woman who is now in Syria with her son, who was born in Worcester, and neither have been able to secure transportation back to the United States.

The U. S. collier Ceaser will sail tomorrow, taking relief supplies to the Syrians under Red Cross auspices and it has been suggested that the collier might bring back the stranded American citizens on its return trip. The cruiser Des Moines is now at Alexandria and it has been suggested that the Des Moines might go to Jaffa and take them on board and convey them to Italy where they could secure passage to this country. Or perhaps both suggestions might be carried out jointly. But a snag is possibly in the way if the report is true that Turkey will not permit any persons to leave that country, even on United States battleships. The state department is said to have cabled the American ambassador to inquire into the matter. If Turkey has refused to permit the United States to bring home its citizens on its own ships serious complications may follow. Col. Winslow has, however, arranged that if possible, the Worcester woman will be brought back and arrangements for the quick return of others now in Syria also be made.

RICHARDS.

Plant Juice Has Made Him Like New

Lewis A. Lovering, of 82 Park View Ave., Lowell, Had Indigestion and Dyspepsia

That Plant Juice is repeating its success here, is proven by the large number of local testimonials received daily from people in signed statements, telling of the great benefit they have received from its use.



LEWIS A. LOVERING.

Not a day passes but what numbers of Lowell people call to thank The Plant Juice Man for what his remedy has done for them, and to congratulate him on his phenomenal success in Lowell.

Only the other day Mr. Lewis A. Lovering, who resides at No. 82 Park View avenue, and is a well known blacksmith of this city, having lived here all of his life, stated:

"I have been troubled for the past ten years with indigestion and dyspepsia; had headaches, dizzy spells, could not sleep at night and got very weak and completely run down. Almost everything I ate would cause me distress and I was badly bloated with gas; had night sweats and my liver and kidneys were out of order; I was badly constipated and had taken all kinds of medicine but never got any permanent relief, until I began to take your Plant Juice. I now sleep well at night, and can eat anything I want and digest it; am not constipated and it has put my liver and kidneys in fine condition. I have gained in weight and never felt better in my life. Plant Juice has made me well and I am glad to recommend it to others."

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JAMES W. OSBORNE AND "OLIVER OSBORNE"

For six hours Charles H. Wax, late of Chicago and the world at large, sat or stood in the office of Assistant United States District Attorney Roger B. Wood in the federal building, New York city, while nearly a dozen persons identified him as Oliver Osborne, wooer of women, notably Rae Tanzer of New York city who, mistakenly or otherwise, said he was none other than James W. Osborne, the lawyer, and accordingly sued Mr. Osborne for $50,000 for breach of promise to wed, with resultant multifarious complications and indictments.



UPPER—JAMES W. OSBORNE.
LOWER: "OLIVER OSBORNE."

Rae Tanzer and her sisters were not among those present. But Mr. Osborne was. Commenting on the situation, N. Snowden Marshall, United States attorney, said, "It would be a very absent-minded lady indeed who would get Wax mixed up with James W. Osborne."

SLEEPYTIME TALES

GRANDMOTHER'S MEMORIAL DAY

"Once upon a time," said grandmother, and Beth ran to her crying, "Are you going to tell us the story you promised?" Grandmother smiled and said: "I guess so," as she took off her glasses and Ned ran to get her little piece of chamois for her to polish them with.

"Once upon a time," she began, "when I was a little girl I had an uncle who had fought in the Civil war. He lived in a white house on a hill and I was very fond of going up there and hearing the stories he would tell me. A week before Memorial day I went up to see him and he took out again the old faded blue suit and the wide brimmed hat he had worn so many times, to show to me."

"Would you like to help on Memorial day?" he asked, and I could hardly say yes, I was so happy. He told me that they had arranged for some little girls to carry some of the flowers and hand to the men as they were wanted and he said I could be one of them.

"When the day came I was awake long before light and soon after breakfast I was all dressed in my white dress with pink ribbons on my hair ready to start. There were several other little girls and we marched along side by side, our hands filled with wreaths and bouquets. Everybody cheered as we passed and when we reached the soldiers' monument in the centre of the village we almost covered it with the flowers.

"After this we went and listened to the Memorial address, but, I am afraid, children, I was thinking more of the ice cream and cake uncle promised me than what the man was saying. When it was through we went to the town hall and had ice cream and cake and then I went home to dream how I had helped to celebrate Memorial day.

"I wish I had been there to march with the men," said Ned, but Beth only asked, "Grandmother, can't we have ice cream next Memorial day?"

BABY GRACE'S SUITCASE

Once upon a time Thurston woke up one morning with the warm sun shining on his fat legs. He sat up, looked over where his twin sister Anita was sleeping and said, "I wish we were at the beach, it's so hot here." Now Anita was only half a sleep and she turned over and said: "I wish so, too. I want to paddle."

The children's mother always moved them to the beach as soon as she could in the spring for they all enjoyed it and the three children were so much better there. When the children came down for their breakfast their mother said: "Listen, children, we are going to move to the beach next week. Now, during this week you must get the toys you want to take with you and pack your little suitcases so as to help mother all you can, for I shall be very busy."

Each of the twins had been given a little suitcase with their initials on one end and they were very proud of them. It was the first real trip they had taken since they had owned them and they were very excited and asked if they could carry them all by themselves.

All day long the children were busy getting their things ready and even Baby Grace carried her pet doll and asked Anita to pack it with her things, but when it was time to take a nap she unpacked it and carried it off to bed with her where others heard her talking to it about going to the "bee" in a suitcase.

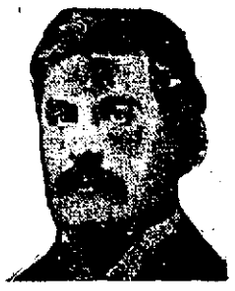
"Let's make Baby Grace a suitcase," said Thurston one day and he and Anita started to fix one before Baby Grace woke up. Anita found an old pasteboard shoe box and their mother sewed one side of the cover to the box. Thurston made a catch out of a hairpin and Anita found an old hair ribbon that they used for a handle. When Baby Grace woke up there, close beside her, was a new suitcase.

When the children showed her how it opened and how it locked and just where she was to lay her doll, Baby Grace was as pleased with her suitcase as though it were, as Anita said, "a really and truly one," and that is how the three children all had suitcases for the beach when they were ready to go.

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LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 7.—A lone robber threw pepper in the face of an express guard today in the rear of a down town building, seized $20,000 in gold and currency from the express wagon and escaped.

$11,300,000 IN GOLD FROM CANADA ARRIVES

TOTAL OF MORE THAN $36,000,000 RECEIVED FROM THAT SOURCE IN THREE DAYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Additional gold from Canada amounting to $11,300,000 was deposited at the assay office today. This makes a total of slightly more than $36,000,000 received from that source during the last three days.

PEDESTRIAN IS THE MOST DEFIANT FACTOR

DR. ROWE OF AUTO ASSOCIATION SPEAKS AT SAFETY FIRST CONVENTION

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 7.—The pedestrian is the most dangerous, as well as the most defiant factor in street traffic in the belief of Dr. H. M. Rowe of Baltimore, president of the American Automobile association, speaking at the second annual convention of the Safety First Federation of America, which opened a three days' meeting here today.

If pedestrians, he said, were confined to the sidewalks in their movements and were not permitted to cross the streets anywhere except at properly designated crossings the cause of most of the accidents and fatalities that happen would be eliminated at one stroke. Vehicles, Dr. Rowe declared were so well covered by regulations that further attempts in that line could not bring results.

BIG LABELS FOR CITY AUTOS IN BOSTON

ORDER OF MAYOR CURLEY AIMS TO DISCOURAGE JOY RIDES—NEW CITY GARAGE

BOSTON, Dec. 7—Mayor Curley announces that he is willing to do all in his power to eliminate joy-riding in city automobiles, if any exists.

He issued an order to the heads of all city departments to have painted in bright colors on the sides of the hoods of all cars in their control the full name of the department and underneath the words "City of Boston." The letters in all the words must be at least four inches high, and Dec. 20, 1916, is set as the time limit.

He has also determined to have a large municipal garage erected on city land on Albany street, between East Canton and East Brookline streets, where all city automobiles will be stored and stationed, and will be obtained only by requisition throughout the day.

The mayor said that he believed these two things will overcome any criticisms as to the use of city cars for personal business or pleasure.

AMERICAN BURNED AT STAKE BY BANDITS

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 7.—Government agents today sent a report to Washington saying an American named Foster has been mutilated and then burned at the stake by Villa bandits operating near Torreon. The report was said to have been brought by refugees coming to the border from Torreon.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

The United States civil service commission announces competitive examinations as follows:

Dec. 26.—Petroleum economist, (male), salary, $1800 to $2500 per annum.

Jan. 2.—Shot Erer, (male), salary, $840 per annum.

Jan. 8.—Scientific assistant in drug-plant investigations, (male), salary, $1400 to $1800 per annum; laboratorian, qualified in strength of materials, (male), salary, $2.64 per diem; lay inspector, grade1, (male), salary, $840 per annum.

Jan. 10.—Leading draftsman, ordnance department at large, salary, $2100 per annum.

MRS. FRANCES KNAPP DEAD

WATERLOO, Ia., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Frances Knapp, 61 years of age, widow of Charles W. Knapp, for many years a director of the Associated Press, died here today at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Guthrie McConnell.

Charles W. Knapp died in New York last January, shortly after becoming treasurer of the New York Times.

U. S. NOT TO PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—It has been decided that the American government will make no general protest against the practice of refusing bunker coal at British ports to vessels not conserving allied interests.

COURSE IN NURSING

Miss Margaret Phinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Phinney, has entered the Lawrence General hospital for a three years' course in nursing.

EXPRESS CO. URGES EARLY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

The American Express company has already started a systematic campaign to lessen the Christmas congestion and is now instructing its employes throughout the country to co-operate with the merchants and department stores to handle the increased volume of business expected during the holidays. The main point emphasized by the company is to start shipping early, so that the Christmas business will be stretched over the whole month instead of being jammed into a brief space.

Early shipping gives everybody an advantage. The company's equipment has been greatly increased during the past few years and with a little co-operation from the public, the service will not be handicapped by the Christmas rush. Pamphlets on "How to Ship Christmas Packages," have been printed and are being distributed all over the country. A label bearing the words "Don't Open Until Christmas" the received will know it is a Christmas gift.

"Early shopping," states Agent Maurice E. Vaillant of the American Express company in this city, in his plea for early action on the part of the public, "gives everybody an advantage."

"Salesmen have more time to give to each customer; the customers themselves have a greater variety from which to choose their gifts; the store management is able to make prompter and more reliable deliveries, and there are fewer tired girls at the end of the day.

"Early shipping has the same points in its favor. Our company alone is called upon to handle nearly 100,000,000 shipments a year. Our equipment is adequate and is keeping pace with the demands made upon it.

"It is the man element which must be considered in the propaganda for early Christmas shopping. The man on the express wagon at Christmas time is in the same position exactly as the girl behind the Christmas counter. He must serve while others are at their pleasure, and he can serve only up to his physical capacity.

"It is our purpose to co-operate as extensively as possible with the merchants in this movement. As a preliminary aid we have printed for distribution throughout the country over a million pamphlets on 'How to Ship Christmas Packages,' and are making an early distribution of three million especially printed Christmas labels.

"Each year many thousands of shipments are made early and when they bear the label 'Don't Open Until Christmas,' the result is the same as if they were not purchased until the night before Christmas.

"The general prosperity of the country promises to make the coming Christmas the most commercially active the country has ever known. Hence the timeliness of the public and ... warning is timely needs to make it virtually the pleasantest Christmas on record."

TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	35¼	34½	34½
Am Beet Sugar	107	105¾	105¾
Am Can	62⅝	62⅜	62⅜
Am Can pfd	113¾	113¾	113¾
Am Car & Fn	77⅞	76¾	77¼
Am Car & Fn pf	119	119	119
Am Cot Oil	54	54	54
Am Hides L Com	16⅝	16½	16½
Am Hide & L pf	79⅝	78	78
Am Locomo	94	90¾	93½
Am Locomo pf	107⅛	107⅛	107⅛
Am Smelt & R	116⅝	115¾	116
Am Smelt & R pf	116⅝	116⅝	116⅝
Am Sugar Rfn	115½	115⅝	115½
Anaconda	98¼	98	98½
Atchison	105½	105⅝	105⅝
Atchison pf	100½	100½	100½
Baldwin Loco	81¼	80¾	80⅝
Balt & Ohio	86	85⅞	85⅞
Balt & Ohio pf	74⅜	74⅜	74⅝
Beth Steel	635	618	635
*Br Rap Tran	84⅜	84⅛	84⅜
Cal Pete	28½	27	27
Cal Pete pf	62	59⅜	59⅜
Canadian Pa	188	187	187
Cast I Pipe Com	27⅛	27	27⅛
Cast I Pipe pf	65	65	65
Cent Leather	110¼	110½	108¼
Cent Leather pf	117	116	117
Ches & Ohio	68½	67¾	67¾
Chic R I & Pac	40	39	39½
Chi & Gt W Com	16¼	15⅜	16¼
Chi & Gt W pf	45½	44½	45
Chile	30½	28⅝	28½
Col Fuel	56⅝	56⅜	56½
Consol Gas	135	135	135
Corn Products	28¾	28⅝	28⅝
Corn Products pf	13⅜	12½	13⅜
Crucible Steel	86⅛	84¾	84¾
Den & Rio G pf	45¼	45	45
Erie & Had	151¼	151½	151¾
Del L & W	239	238	238
Ins Secur Co	43½	40	40
Erie	38¾	37½	37⅝
Erie 1st pf	53⅜	52⅝	52⅝
Erie 2nd pf	42½	42½	42½
Gen Elec	151¾	150¼	150⅛
Gen Motors	750	750	750
Goodrich	69½	68¾	69¾
Gt North pf	117⅜	117⅜	117⅜
Gt N Ore ctf	44	44	44
Illinois Cen	108	107½	107½
Int Met Com	18½	18½	18½
Int Met Com pf	76	75¾	75¾
Int Mer Marine	48⅛	46½	48½
Int Mer Marine pf	118¾	115¼	118⅜
Int Paper	84¾	83	83
Int Paper pf	105⅜	105⅜	105⅜
Kan City So	27⅜	27¼	27⅜
Kan City So pf	59⅝	59⅝	59⅝
Kan & Texas	12½	11⅝	11⅝
Kan & Tex pf	22½	21¾	21¾
Lehigh Valley	82⅝	81¾	82
Maxwell	75	74	75
Maxwell 1st	82¼	81⅞	81⅞
Maxwell 2nd	50	50	50
Mexican Petroleum	108¾	107⅝	108
Missouri Pa	20¾	19	19
Nat Lead pf	113	112⅞	112⅞
N Y Air Brake	173	170¾	171
N Y Central	108¼	107¼	107½
Nor & West	140	140	140
No Am Co	75	74¼	74¼
North Pacific	111½	110¾	111¼
Ont & West	32½	32	32
Pacific Mail	28⅜	26	27½
Pennsylvania	56⅞	56⅜	56⅜
People's Gas	108	108	108
Pitts Coal	56	54⅜	54⅜
Pressed Steel	84	82⅝	83
Pullman Co	165	165	165
Ry St Sp Co	59⅝	58¾	58⅝
Reading	111⅝	110⅜	110⅝
Rep I & S	88⅞	87¾	88⅜
Rep I & S pf	116	116	116
St Paul	93¼	93⅛	93¼
Sloss-Sheffield	82	82⅜	82⅜
So Pacific	99⅝	99⅛	99⅛
Southern Ry	32⅜	31⅝	31⅝
Southern Ry pf	70⅛	69¾	69⅞
Studebaker	121⅜	120¾	121⅜
Tenn Copper	24½	24⅜	24½
Texas Pac	20⅛	19½	20⅛
Third Ave	52½	52	52½
Union Pacific	147	145¾	146¼
Unien Pac pf	84	83½	83½
U S Ind Alcohol	137	134	136¾
U S Rub	68¾	67⅞	68
U S Rub pf	115¾	114⅜	114⅜
U S Steel	126¾	125	125⅜
U S Steel pf	121⅜	121⅜	121⅜
U S Steel 8s	106¼	106¼	106¼
Utah Copper	121½	123	123½
Va Chem	50½	49¾	50⅛
Westinghouse	62¾	61⅝	62
Western Un	102½	102½	102½

*—Ex-Div.

GAINS NUMEROUS AT THE OPENING

COURSE OF EARLY DEALINGS INDICATED CONFUSION OF SPECULATIVE SENTIMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The course of prices during today's early dealings on the stock exchange indicated some confusion of speculative sentiment. Gains of substantial proportions were numerous but these were neutralized by moderate recessions in metals, some of the utilities, equipments and such specialties as U. S Rubber and Industrial Alcohol. Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies continued its rise, advancing 6 points to 142, a new record. U. S. Steel and allied shares like Crucible and Lackawanna Steels and Republic Iron were appreciably better. Reading and Southern railway common and preferred featured the strong rails.

Boston Market

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Copper shares were quiet and almost without price change during the early hours of trading today. The few fluctuations showed an irregular trend.

Exchanges

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Exchanges $629,475,116; balances, $5,275,265.

Cotton Features

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Cotton features opened weak. January 19.65; March, 19.84; May, 19.97; July, 20.01; October, 18.10.

Leaders Receded

NEW YORK, Dec. 8. — Demand for stocks dwindled after the first half hour, the turnover of the forenoon being almost the lightest in many weeks. Steel, Reading and other leaders receded a point or more and other investment issues were moderately reactionary. Utilities displayed marked weakness. Ohio Gas making an extreme decline of almost 12 points but recovering half its loss. Coppers, Central Leather, California Petroleums, Westinghouse and Continuental Can also gave way to pressure. Bonds were irregular.

ALL OF CREW OF TORPEDOED SHIP SAVED

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—All of the crew of the Italian steamship Palermo, torpedoed and sunk off the Spanish coast Tuesday, were saved, according to a cable received today by Hartfield, Solari & Co., local agents of the ship.

The despatch from Madrid, reporting the sinking, said that one sailor, said to be an American, died from wounds, and that three others were seriously wounded. There were a number of American horse tenders on board. The message today made no mention of loss of life.

ACQUITTED OF KILLING HUSBAND

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Margaret C. Beutinger was acquitted here this afternoon at her second trial for killing her husband in their home at Caldwell, N. J., last July. She was charged with murder in the first degree.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF RAILROADS OPPOSED

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A resolution setting forth that public ownership of railroads is neither advisable nor necessary to work out the transportation system best adapted to the present needs and future development of the country was adopted today by the chamber of commerce of the state of New York.

ASKS EMBARGO ON PAPER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A bill designed to place a two-year embargo on exports of news print paper was introduced yesterday by Representative Campbell of Kansas and referred to the commerce committee.

Penalties ranging from fines of $1000 to $20,000 and imprisonment of not more than 10 years would be provided by the measure.

FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The war office announced today that there was nothing to report from the Franco-Belgian front.

BOSTON MARKET

RAILROADS

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Boston & Albany	178½	178½	178½
Boston Elevated	81	79	81
Bos & Maine	46	45½	46½
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N Y & N H	57⅝	57¼	57⅝

MINING

Adventure	5¼	5¼	5¼
Algomah	1¾	1¾	1¾
Ahmeek	119	119	119
Alaska Gold	13½	13	13
Allouez	77½	77	77
American Zinc	61½	60⅝	60⅝
Arcadian	6⅝	6½	6½
Arizona Com	16	15	15⅝
Butte & Superior	73⅛	72¼	72⅜
Cal & Arizona	90	89¾	89¾
Cal & Hecla	600	600	600
Chino	69	68⅛	68⅛
Centennial	23	23	23
Copper Range	78	77½	77⅝
Daly-West	3¾	3¾	3¾
E Butte	18⅛	18	18
Franklin	11	10⅞	10⅞
Granby	106½	105⅛	106
Greene-Cananea	51½	51Z	51½
Hancock	20½	20½	20½
Indiana	4¾	4¾	4¾
Inspiration	69½	68¾	68¾
Isle Royale	39¼	39¼	39¼
Kerr Lake	4¾	4¾	4¾
La Salle	3	3	3
Lake	16¾	15¾	15¾
Mass	17½	17¼	17¼
Mayflwer	3½	3½	3½
Michigan	4	4	4
Miami	46¼	46	46
Mohawk	104	103¾	104
Nevada	32	31¾	31¾
New Idria	16½	16½	16½
Nipissing	9¼	9¼	9¼
North Butte	27½	27	27½
No. Lake	2½	2½	2½
Old Colony	2¾	2¾	2¾
Old Dominion	79	79	79
Osceola	101½	101	101
Quincy	99½	99½	99½
Ray Con	33½	32¾	32⅞
Shannon	10¾	10½	10⅝
Shattuck Ariz	33	32½	32½
Santa Fe	2½	2½	2½
St. Mary	105	105	105
Superior	18	18	18
Superior & Boston	7	7	7
Tamarack	45½	44½	45½
Trinity	7¼	7	7¼
Tuolumne	2⅜	2¼	2¼
U S Smelting	76½	75½	75½
U S Smelting pf	52⅜	52	52¼
Utah-Apex	1	1	1
Utah Cons	22¾	21½	21½
Utah Metal	7½	7	7⅛
Winona	6½	6½	6½
Wolverine	54½	54¼	54½

TELEPHONE

Am Ag Chem Com	98	98	98
Am Ag Chem pf	103	103	103
Am Pneumatic	1⅝	1½	1½
Am Pneumatic pf	11½	11¼	11¼
Am Tel & Tel	127⅝	127½	127⅜
Am Woolen	56⅛	55¾	55¾
Am Woolen pf	99	99	99
Island Creek Coal	71½	71	71½
Mass Elec	3	3	3
Mass Elec pfd	28	27⅞	27⅞
Mass Gas	97	97	97
Pond Creek	22½	22½	22¾
*Swift & Co	158	155	155
United Fruit	163⅜	160½	161⅞
United Sh M	59	58½	58½
United Sh M pf	30	29⅞	29⅞
Ventura	10¾	10	10

TRIAL OF ALLEGED BOMB PLOTTERS OPENS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—The activities of Louis J. Smith, one time confidential agent of the German consulate here and now chief witness for the government in the trial of Franz Bopp, German consul general, and six other defendants charged with violating the neutrality of the United States by conspiring to destroy munitions of war destined for the entente allies, continued to be the centre of interest when court opened today.

It is not expected that Smith will testify until early next week. By that time the government, according to J. W. Preston, United States district attorney, expects to prove that its star witness, who is alleged to have disclosed the nature of the bomb plots in Pacific northwest ports and in Canada, received pay for actually placing dynamite on a barge of war munitions in Seattle harbor in May, 1915, and destroying or attempting to destroy traffic in supplies to the allies.

FEDERAL DYESTUFF AND CHEMICAL CORPORATION

White & Co. of New York, are today making an unusual investment offering in the form of common stock of the Federal Dyestuff & Chemical corporation, the company which has taken the lead in this country in breaking the dye monopoly held by Germany up to the outbreak of the war.

So rapidly has the business been developed that the company is at present time producing over 50,000 pounds of products daily on which the profit is estimated at $2,000,000 yearly or 14 per cent. on the offering price of the common stock, after all prior charges are provided for.

The installation of additional apparatus and the enlargement of various departments now under way will double the capacity of the plants with a corresponding increase in earnings.

The plant consists of 29 thoroughly equipped fireproof buildings located on 200 acres of land owned by the company at Kingsport, Tennessee, where raw material costs are very low and where labor conditions are favorable.

The capitalization of the company which is organized under New York laws comprises 30,000 shares of preferred stock, par value $100 of which amount 5000 shares have been issued and 300,000 shares of common stock without par value.

The public offering of these common shares is limited and from the volume of applications already in the hands of the bankers a heavy oversubscription is indicated. The subscription books will close on or before Dec. 11.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

RUMANIAN ARMY STILL INTACT, GEN. MAURICE

LONDON, Dec. 7.—"The fall of Bucharest is without military significance, but I have no desire to underrate the fact that its surrender has a considerable moral and political effect," said Gen. F. B. Maurice, chief of the director of military operations at the British war office on discussing with The Associated Press today the latest military oporations of the entente allies.

"The Rumanian army is still intact, as it was never in danger of great loss until it made the stand on the Argechu where it was defeated," Gen. Maurice said. "It must have lost a considerable number of men when the enemy broke through.

"In our press there has evidently been much misconception in regard to the so-called Orsova army left in the rear of the Germans. As a matter of fact, there never was a Rumanian army at Orsova. The only army in Wallachia was the first Rumanian army, while slightly less than a division was left at Orsova, only as a rear guard. This detachment was cut off.

"Reports from Germany of from 50,000 to 100,000 Rumanian prisoners must include the civilian population of the occupied districts. The material gain of the Germans around Bucharest are not as great as they expected, as the Rumanians succeeded in inflicting great damage on the oil fields, while much corn was removed.

"It is dangerous to prophesy where the Rumanians will make their stand, but it is reasonable to presume they will take a position on the narrow neck of Rumania, which still gives possession of the larger part of the country and provides strong positions for the flanks.

"Some reasons for the Rumanian difficulties may be summarized as follows: Faulty organization of equipment and railroads and lack of heavy guns."

Referring to news nearer home, Gen. Maurice said:

"It is interesting to note that the Germans, when raiding London by air, always assert that they bombarded the fortress of London. Therefore it is significant that the orders we captured from occupants of an airplane which dropped bombs here were merely to bomb London without reference to localities."

Gen. Maurice had nothin new to report from the western front. He dismissed this topic by stating that a new foe, in the form of a fog, had been encountered in the Somme valley, preventing the use of artillery and therefore bringing operations to a standstill.

VIOLENT ATTACK ON LLOYD GEORGE

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Purchase by the government of all essential imported foodstuffs, the commandeering or control of all home products and of ships and the placing of supplies on the retail market at prices which would give to the consumer the full benefit of these measures was advocated today at the national conference of trade unionists.

During the discussion Charles G. Ammon of the British Trades Union league made a violent attack on David Lloyd George, who, he charged, had "lied to the trades unionist congress and sold his political faith."

While the conference was in progress the labor members of the house of commons, including the members of the independent labor party were summoned to a conference with Mr. Lloyd George.

From Yesterday's Late Edition

HERE'S A QUIET TIP TO FISH PEDDLERS

Fishmongers, those who peddle fish from house to house, had better show signs of life and make application for special licenses at the office of the license commission, or they may receive summonses to appear in court for violation of a recently enacted ordinance, which is an amendment to an ordinance having to do with people who peddle fish.

Under the new law which went into effect about a month ago, people who peddle fish on the streets must have a license, the fee for which is $10. A dealer can deliver orders, but if sales are made on the street, a special license must be secured.

The vital point of the amendment to the ordinance reads as follows: "No person shall hawk or peddle fish until he has been duly licensed by and has recorded his name and residence with the license commission of the city of Lowell, and has been assigned a number by said commission to be worn in such manner as said commission may prescribe. The fee for such license shall be $10 and the license shall continue in force for one year from date thereof."

TWO CHARGED WITH BREAKING AND ENTERING

Michael O'Hare and Levi Gagnon were arrested this afternoon by Inspector John A. Walsh on warrants charging them with breaking and entering the room of Belle Watson, at 22 John street and the larceny of a raincoat, a leather traveling bag and a can of soup. One of the men was apprehended in Dutton street, while the other was arrested in Lee street.

According to the police, the pair gained an entrance to the room by breaking through a door. The break was discovered shortly afterwards and the matter reported to the police. It was but a short time before the two men were arrested and locked up. They will appear in court tomorrow morning.

FRACTURED HIS ARM

Patrolman John E. Conway, while patroling his beat this afternoon, slipped and fell on the sidewalk in Wamesit street and suffered a fracture of the arm. Dr. J. B. O'Connor was called and the injured man was removed to his home at 4 Billerica street, where the fracture was reduced.

DEPARTED ELKS

Beautiful Toast "To Our Absent Brothers" Given by Jeremiah J. O'Sullivan at Keith's Theatre

Inadvertently the name of Jeremiah J. O'Sullivan, Esq., was omitted from our report of the recent performance given by the Elks of Lowell at the B. F. Keith theatre, in connection with their Christmas charity fund. His toast "To Our Absent Brothers" was one of the most beautiful features of the occasion, and his delivery of it set apart one solemn moment in an evening of gaiety. Following is the toast in full:

Eleven o'clock—the hour of tender significance—believing in the blessed gospel of cheerfulness and love, of memory and hope—Elkdom pauses at this moment and hour, and here and now living man and moment agree and blend like sounds that meet and melt in softest melody—a monument of dearest orisons we offer for the departed—a blessing for the living we breathe—a memory of tears—a prophecy of joy.

We pierce through the fast gathering mists of time and see there the hearts and faces and scenes of remembered days—some of the hearts seen in the glistening rays have already gone to their home beyond the stars—others still wearily traversing the wandering paths of time, and a sweet melancholy takes hold of us, for no Elk is forgotten—none forsaken.

We have faith that our absent brother, clothed in robes immaculate, awaits on that far off shore to bid us hail and welcome some unending day, and with the prayer of remembrance whispering on every lip we recall immortals beyond the death of heaven's blue, and we have hope and turn to the living with joyous heart, vibrate far and wide our message of greeting and good cheer. Thus, linking cheerfulness and love with memory and hope, with not a member unreplying to our mystic rollcall, we walk again in the scented garden of recollection and stooping, pluck the emblem flower, that dear forget-me-not, and raising it aloft, diffuse its perfume, inhale the "amber of its memory," sweet to breathe, sure to inspire us with the noble and lofty pledge of this golden hour, To our Absent Brothers.

EXCURSION TO BOSTON

The Welfare association of the United States Cartridge Co. will conduct an excursion to Boston Saturday evening when the performance of "Hip-Hop-Hooray" will be witnessed at the Boston Opera House. Already a number of employes and "outsiders" have signified their intention of attending and a party of about 300 is expected. A special train has been engaged and will leave the Middlesex street station at 6.45 o'clock, returning from Boston at 11.50. The committee in charge consists of William Henry Booth, A. F. Sousa and Joseph McOsker.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At a meeting of General B. F. Butler Post 42, G.A.R., held last evening, the following officers were elected: Commander, Dudley L. Page; S.V.C., John Harrington; J.V.C., Joseph A. Garmon; quartermaster, Chester S. Goodwin; chaplain, Charles E. Brackett; surgeon, James F. McCarthy; officer of the day, Barney McCabe; guard, Enoch N. Grinnell; representative, Nathan G. Lampson, and alternate, George E. Worthen.

LOWELL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A regular quarterly meeting of the Lowell Historical society will be held in accordance with its by-laws at its temporary rooms in city hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 13, at 7.30 o'clock to hear the reports of officers and committees and transact such other business as may legally come before the meeting. Judge S. P. Hadley will give some of his delightful reminiscences regarding the literature and amusements of his younger days. The year 1840 was an eventful one, and the judge will relate some of the more important events as recalled by him.

FUNERALS

McCAFFREY—The funeral of Mrs. Mary Carolan McCaffrey took place this morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 405 Lincoln street, and proceeded to the Sacred Heart church, where a high mass of requiem was sung at 10 o'clock by Rev. Father Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I. The services were largely attended by relatives and friends from Lewiston, Me., Woburn, North Chelmsford and Charlestown, Mass. The bearers were John and Patrick Ward, Owen McCardle, Patrick Daly, Mathew Donohoe, James McGovern. There were spiritual offerings from the Ward children, Mr. and Mrs. Carolan, Mrs. Clancy, Mr. and Mrs. P. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. P. McGarrell, Mr. and Mrs. M. Donohoe, Mrs. F. Carolan, Miss Bridget Carolan, Bridget McDermott, John H. Ward, Margaret McGarrell, Mrs. Jeremiah Bagley, Mrs. James Gilbride, Mrs. Thomas Golden, Alice Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. J. McQuarrie; sprays from Mr. and Mrs. E. Overton, Ford children, Jennie McGarrell. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Father Fletcher, O.M.I. The funeral was in charge of John F. Rogers, undertaker.

DEATHS

RILEY—Mrs. Ellen Riley, wife of John Riley, aged 58 years, died today at her home, 159 Broadway. Besides her husband she leaves a son, John P., two brothers, John and Patrick Donohue; three sisters, Mrs. Jas. Shalvey of this city, Mrs. Peter Riley and Miss Mary Donohue, the two latter of Manchester, N. H. Please omit flowers.

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HOWARD 197 Central St. The Druggist

M'CORMICK THE GUEST OF HONOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Wilson gave a dinner at the White House last night in honor of Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the national democratic committee, with members of the democratic campaign committee and of the progressive committee which aided in the president's re-election, as guests. It was a celebration of the victory last month.

In addition to Mr. McCormick the diners included Homer S. Cummings, vice-chairman; Representative Carter Glass, secretary; Wilber W. Marsh, treasurer; Senator Walsh, western democratic manager; Henry Morgenthau, chairman of the finance committee of the democratic committee; Gavin McNabb, and F. J. Heney of California, and democratic and progressive leaders from other states.

Two women, Mrs. George Bass, democrat, and Mrs. Antoinette Funk, progressive, were present as members of the campaign committee. Mrs. Wilson attended, as did the wives of most of the guests. The latter included Mrs. F. J. Hopkins, whose husband is a progressive leader in New Jersey. Mrs. Hopkins is chairman of the New Jersey branch of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage. She wore a button of her organization at the dinner, but before going to the White House she said that published reports that she intended questioning the president about his stand on suffrage grew out of joking remarks and that, of course, she would not do such a thing.

VAN DYKE LAUDS FRANCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Dr. Henry Van Dyke, whose resignation as minister to the Netherlands was announced last Monday, contributes to the current number of the Art World, under the title "The Name of France," a three-versed poem glorifying France and concluding with these lines:

A name that calls the world to share
The burden of sacrificial strife,
Where the cause at stake is the world's free life
And the rule of the people everywhere—
A name like a vow, a name like a prayer,
I give you, France

In a statement to the correspondent of The Associated Press at The Hague announcing his resignation Dr. Van Dyke said:

"The main reason was my wish to return to work as a writer with full freedom to say what I think and feel."

MASCOT OF U-35

BERLIN, Dec. — The newest addition to the Berlin zoological garden is a monkey which was the mascot of the U-35 for a considerable time.

The monkey originally was the mascot of an English merchantman that was halted by the German submarine. He made trip after trip with the U-35 and was "in at the death" of several merchantmen. His transfer to the zoo was ordered only when it became so cold that he was likely to suffer if exposed.

IN BOSTON

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IN POLICE COURT

Continued

later when it was found that none of the party had any money Miss Watson's room was entered and the raincoat, bag and can of soup were taken.

Miss Watson upon arriving home yesterday noon found that the door leading to her room had been broken and several articles missing. She reported at once to the police and Inspector John Walsh was detailed to investigate the matter and subsequently he arrested Paul, Gagnon, and O'Hare, the former being booked for drunkenness and the two latter for larceny.

Paul testified that Gagnon and O'Hare had been in his room in the morning and he saw O'Hare with the bag and raincoat.

Joseph Rivers testified that he met O'Hare at the corner of Moody and Tilden street and the latter said his wife was sick and he needed money to purchase wood and food. Rivers did not want to purchase the bag but he agreed to pawn it and going to a nearby pawnshop received 60 cents for it.

William F. Kelly, janitor of the building, testified to seeing Gagnon in Paul's room Tuesday and yesterday and also saw a can of soup there.

Inspector Walsh testified that as a result of a complaint made at the police station he went to 32 John street and found that the door leading into Miss Watson's room had been broken and the room was in disorder. He then entered Paul's room and finding that Paul was drunk sent him to the police station. As a result of his talk with Paul he located Rivers, then found the bag, raincoat and can of soup and subsequently arrested Gagnon and O'Hare.

O'Hare claimed that Paul gave him the bag to "shove up." He denied stealing it. Gagnon said he did not care to testify. The court then found the defendants guilty and sentenced each to four months in the house of correction. The cases of drunkenness were placed on file.

Assault Case Continued

The case of Joseph Poole, James Conley, Dennis O'Neil and Stephen J. O'Halloran, charged with assault and battery on William Gaudette, was continued until December 14th by agreement of counsel. Poole and O'Halloran were before the court yesterday morning and the other two members of the quartet were in this morning. One of the latter surrendered himself and the other was placed under arrest yesterday.

Neglected His Mother

William E. O'Connell appeared before the court several weeks ago on a complaint charging him with failing to provide for his mother who is in destitute circumstances and he was placed in the custody of the probation officer and promised to contribute toward her support. Probation Officer Slattery informed the court this morning that he had not seen nor heard from O'Connell since the day he was in court, whereupon Judge Enright ordered a capias issued for O'Connell's arrest.

Sent to House of Correction

Walter F. Fowler was found guilty of failing to provide for the support of his minor children and was sentenced to four months in the house of correction.

James Jordan, charged with being drunk, was fined $5.

Samuel Paul, who was arrested for drunkenness and appeared as a witness in the larceny case in which O'Hare and Gagnon were convicted, had his case continued until next Wednesday.

WIGGINVILLE MEN HOLD BIG RALLY

A big rally of men of the Wigginville section of the city was held last night in the vestry of the Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist church to consider questions for the benefit of the southeast section of Lowell. The lighting system and car service came in for lively discussion and Mr. Sykes and Rev. Mr. Singleton, pastor of the church, were made a committee to see what can be done. The question of a sub postoffice was also taken up and Clifford Grant and Harry Leavitt were appointed to draw up a petition for this much needed improvement.

Another meeting is called for next Thursday night at the same place, when other questions will be taken up and plans formulated to develop this section. Charles Moore, the president of the Men's Brotherhood of the church, was in the chair. Henry Bell was appointed secretary.

PHYSICAL TRAINING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Adjt. Gen. Pearson, in an interview, has expressed the belief that if all boys received in their schools a proper physical and disciplinary training as well as instruction in the care of the health, home and community sanitation, the National Guard officers would be relieved of a great amount of work and time now devoted to instruction in such subjects, and would have much greater latitude in technical military training.

He is convinced of this because he has felt compelled to send his three children, now in the public schools, to gymnasiums where, outside of school hours they may acquire that physical training for which opportunity is denied them in the schools.

"I have noted with interest and regret," he says, "that many of the young recruits whom we receive in the national guard are not well set up and that their muscular development has been neglected. Many of them have not been so trained that the brain, eye and muscles work promptly together, and there is apt to be a lack of training in the courtesy which the younger should give the elder, and in the laws of health which are regarded as so fundamental in a military training.

"With a view to ascertaining the cause of this condition and providing a remedy I appointed a board consisting of Maj. George M. King, C.A.C.; Capt. Porter B. Chase, 1st Corps Cadets; Capt. Henry D. Cormerais, 5th infantry, Lt. Daniel J. Canty, 9th infantry and Lt. Winifred F. McBrayne, 6th infantry, to investigate this among other subjects.

"I am very much in sympathy with the unanimous report of Maj. King's board in its recommendation for universal military training for all young men between the ages of 18 and 21, and particularly with its recommendation for a program of health education, physical and efficiency training for every child over eight years of age."

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From a letter signed by Mr. G. T. Bishop, President of the Federal Dyestuff & Chemical Corporation, original of which is on file, the following features are summarized:

The corporation owns 200 acres of land at Kingsport, Tennessee, a most desirable location because of the low cost of raw materials and favorable labor conditions. On this property are erected 29 buildings of modern fireproof construction, in which is installed apparatus and equipment for the manufacture of dyestuffs and like materials and chemicals. It has its own inter-communicating railroad system connecting with the C., C. & O. R. R.

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WAR NEWS

It is quite amusing to hear the contradictory comments made by different parties upon the war news.

Some people will assert that the only accurate news published in the papers is that which comes from Berlin by wireless, while others state that the news from London is most reliable. Some other parties claim that much of the most sensational war news published is manufactured in the newspaper offices as a means of selling papers. Anybody who knows the facts will at once see the absurdity of all these remarks. It is a fact that all the powers engaged in the war are disposed to hold back news unfavorable to themselves. This tendency has been followed since the opening of the war, although of late it has been in a measure overcome by the realization that, if any power withholds news of any reverse it may have suffered, the opposing power will issue an account that will put the event in the very worst light.

With this in mind, it is easy for the general reader to draw a fairly accurate conclusion as to what has happened in any particular case.

As in other tactics Germany beats the allies in the public press. Her reports by wireless are so prompt and positive that she generally gets her story read first, all over the world and in many cases her exaggerated claims have been accepted as true before the news from the other side can overtake it.

For example, if England takes a line of German trenches on the Somme, she reports a signal victory with great loss to the enemy, while in the German account it will be stated that "the British made a vigorous attack on the German positions on the Somme and gained a small portion of one of our trenches but with terrible loss."

Thus it is a case of each exaggerating his own gains and minimizing his losses.

Germany has another method of impressing the public with the importance of her various movements in every campaign she has entered. For example after capturing the capital of Rumania in which she reported taking 9,000 prisoners, she added that since entering Rumania she has taken 100,000 prisoners. No other power can tell whether this total is correct, and hence the statement stands unquestioned—although in all probability it is a gross exaggeration.

As to the charge that the newspapers manufacture news, that is too silly to be taken seriously. The only papers we have heard of attempting to manufacture war despatches were those that have been barred from England and Canada. No decent newspaper would attempt anything of the kind. The fact is, there is so much war news that with the high cost of paper, and the increased value of space, the newspapers have more war stuff than they can publish. Much that they pay dearly for is occasionally thrown away owing to pressure of other matters. The average reader wants something besides war news.

The news sent out by France and Russia is probably the most accurate of any of the official despatches from the belligerent powers. Neither of these countries boasts over their victories and both candidly admit defeat when it comes.

The Sun gives the news as it comes from the most authoritative sources. The only complaint against such news is that it does not please everybody. The news of German victories does not please the pro-allies nor does the news of victories by the entente allies please the pro-Germans. It is none of our business who is pleased or displeased at the news. We are publishing a newspaper and chronicling the events of the war as we find them gathered by the Associated Press, the most reliable news agency in the world. But we are not fighting in the war and are, therefore, in no way responsible for what happens or for any misstatement of the facts sent out by the contending powers.

MOVE ON

It is good news for Lowell to find that some of the old buildings on our main streets are to be replaced by new and up-to-date structures. That is what our city needs and it is hoped that the movement thus started will go on until all the old buildings and all the ten-footers shall have disappeared.

The new theatre on Central street, the several new buildings on Middlesex street, the new bank building at the corner of John and Paige streets are all in the line of progress and will undoubtedly get others started. It is to be hoped that all new buildings to be erected on our principal streets will be of fireproof construction as we need more security in that line in order to keep down the insurance rates in the business district.

There is something very selfish, or perhaps we might say hoggish, in the habit of holding unimproved real estate fronting on a leading business street. The owner avoids making improvements in order that he may derive as much gain as possible from the unearned increment derived from the growth of adjoining property and the increase in the value of land upon the street due to the volume of business done there.

This is a good time for the holders of such property to loosen up, tear down the eyesores and erect buildings that will be a credit to our city. Such structures will never fail of due appreciation in Lowell. It is time for the slow property owners to get into the procession and "move on."

I.W.W. RIOTS

From recent occurrences in various parts of this country the I.W.W. seem to be right in their element when in conflict with the representatives of the law. The riot in Boston on Wednesday night in which butcher knives and automatic revolvers were freely used against the police, indicates preparation for such emergencies.

The members of this organization may make up their minds that if they want to hold public meetings they will have to comply with the laws governing such events. No society can assemble its followers for a public demonstration on any public street or thoroughfare in Boston without a permit from the municipal authorities. Were it otherwise there would be all kinds of turbulence as a result of conflicting elements meeting in opposition. The Boston rule in regard to such matters is a good one for other cities to adopt. The I.W.W. being an avowed revolutionary organization, the authorities in some cities refuse to allow it to hold any meetings in public and in that they are acting wholly within their rights. Far too much freedom is allowed to anarchists and other revolutionary bodies whose aim is to overthrow our constitution which is the very palladium of our liberties.

ANTI-RAT CAMPAIGN

A band of women in Boston has started an anti-rat campaign and has issued a great many circulars appealing to the people to destroy the rodents wherever they find them. Just how this is to be done is not made quite clear. One might suppose that the method adopted by the Pied Piper of Hamelin would be imitated; but it does not appear that the women have suggested any such idea. Whether the rats are to be charmed from their usual abode, poisoned or driven out by ferrets, apparently has not been decided, but judging from the arrangements made by the women they expect a great harvest. They have appealed to Mayor Curley and the health department to appoint stations in different parts of the city at which the dead rats can be assembled for removal by the board of health on certain dates and at certain hours. We are rather skeptical over the results of this rat campaign and shall be pessimistic as to its success until we find that the women have adopted some practical method of getting the rodents.

THE DIETETIC STUNT

The demonstration conducted under the direction of one of the health commissioners of Chicago to show that men and women can subsist on 40 cents a day each, has been carried out and as to the results it would be very difficult to determine wherein any advantage has been derived from this dietetic stunt. Dr. Robertson, who conducted the demonstration, prepared well balanced menus of simple but nourishing food and they were all cooked in the most scientific manner by the domestic science school of that city. If the diet squad had been maintained under conditions such as prevailed in the ordinary tenement house, something might have been gained to show wherein a saving can be made or wherein people can live upon simpler food and more cheaply than they are in the habit of doing. But none of these results can follow the demonstration as it was conducted. It was one of those appeals to public curiosity that failed to serve any good purpose except from a medical standpoint.

THE VANISHED FISHWAYS

The law at present provides for fishways in all leading rivers flowing to the sea. In some cases they have been abolished in disregard of the law and such apparently has been the case in Lowell.

Formerly, as Judge Hadley and other reliable authorities have shown, the river was well stocked with salmon and other fish while fishways at the various dams were required by law. The fishway at Pawtucket dam should be restored and protected in accordance with the intent of the laws enacted for that purpose. It is true that the river is so polluted at certain seasons of the year as not to be favorable to the propagation of fish; but this is not the case in the months of the year in which the fish ascend the rivers.

The question which interests the Fish and Game association is when the Locks and Canals company will restore the fishway at Pawtucket Falls.

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SPRINGFIELD CHARTER

The city of Springfield has voted to retain its old style charter and in so doing the voters have probably shown good judgment. The city is prosperous and is noted for the efficiency of its municipal government. Under such circumstances it would have made a mistake by discarding the old charter and adopting one of the so-called model charters which in spite of all that has been said in their favor are yet only in their experimental stage.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

At this time Christmas shopping can be done with comfort and advantage. Do not put it off until the stores become so crowded that you cannot get what you want without being crushed and jostled and delayed at every step.

White lines for crossing guides on smooth pavements where there are no crosswalks wouldn't cost much, and they might prevent some accidents. Why not have them?—Boston Globe.

Why not? Painted crossings are the cheapest that can be provided. If a police officer be only provided to see that nobody walks on them they will last for years.

If William Jennings Bryan is sent to Europe by President Wilson as a peace advocate and is successful in his mission, what will he do with the $40,000 of the Nobel Prize?—Boston Globe.

Send it to Nebraska to fight Hitchcock, his great political adversary in that state.

Seen and Heard

It sometimes happens that the leader of the orchestra plays second fiddle at home.

Isn't it horrible to have somebody ask you if you want to invest $1000 when you haven't twenty cents to your name?

On his way down town from his home in Mammoth road a few days ago a man lost a $5 bill. Arriving at his office he told one of his clerk's of his loss. A little later a man called and asked him if he had lost anything. The man first mentioned said he had lost $5. "Here it is—I found it in my car," said the caller, who was none other than Conductor Hennessey of the Pawtucketville line and now if you want to hear a staunch defender of the honor and honesty of street railway men call at 22 Market street.

A Singing Well

A singing well is one of the natural curiosities of Texas. In fine weather a sound like that of an eolian harp is given out. At times the sound is clear, then it recedes as if far away, and then it reaches the ear very faintly. With an east wind blowing the mysterious musical sound is faint. A strong west wind causes the sound to increase in volume and clearness. Before a north wind the well plays its wildest pranks.

Getting Field Plowed Up

Some way the average American's indifference to the Mexican fracas reminds us of the petite, demure little wife of "Skant" Hedges, as turbulent a fist fighter as ever inhabited Indian Run in the old logging days. Her oldest son came into the shack breathless with the exclamation:

"Ma, pa's fightin' seven fellers from Horton's camp out here in the field."

"Well," she replied carelessly, "they've got a nice lot of room for it!"—Buffalo Evening News.

Wasn't it a Shame!

Mrs. Cummuter had lain awake with a headache till 1 o'clock. Then, in the rest of the night, she had responded to several calls for a drink, a doll and all the other nocturnal infantile orders. At 5 in the morning, as she was just beginning to round out the first continuous hour of slumber, the little 6-year-old girl called softly from her nearby crib:

"Mother."

No answer. Again a little louder, "Mother."

Mother said nothing. Again the child's voice, this time mezzoforte:

"Mother"

"Well, what is it?"

"Mother, isn't it too bad that one of Harry McCole's pollywogs died!"—Exchange.

Putting It Up to Baby

It isn't all honey being the eldest girl of a family, as Marjorie often has. Particularly does she get aggravated when told to put Baby Dora to bed, says the Philadelphia Ledger.

Dora has the common infantile complaint of wanting everything she can think of before she will condescend to go to sleep.

"I want a drink of milk!" she announced loudly one evening when Marjorie had already made several trips upstairs.

"I lit the gas for you, didn't I?" demanded Marjorie, [illegible] by the last of the [illegible].

No answer.

"And [illegible] bear and the black doll-"

Still Dora vouchsafed no reply.

"And I gave you a piece of white paper and a nice pencil?"

This time Dora pouted assent.

"Well," decreed the big sister, with an air of finality, "just you take the pencil and paper and draw a cow; then you can milk it!"—Exchange.

An Excusable Error

All kinds of rowdies on street cars are obnoxious. But the one who intruded on the quiet of an eastbound interurban a few evenings since was worse than the average.

This undesirable citizen, who occupied a rear seat, first attracted the attention by yelling at the top of his voice.

"Whasamasserevorbodyinisear?" he bawled.

A timid little lady fainted.

"Wooper-I-doncar-if-I nevergohome," he screamed again.

This time two babies began to cry.

"Ihaihadnanaswhatlam!"

Everybody began to tremble.

Finally a woman who sat near the middle of the car spied a policeman in one of the front seats.

Making her way to the officer, she tapped him on the shoulder.

"Why don't you do something to that dreadful man?" she demanded.

"What dreadful man?"

"The rowdy who has been causing a commotion in the back of the car."

Rising in his seat the officer said in surprise:

"What, that a rowdy? Gee! I thought it was the conductor calling off the streets!"—Youngstown Telegram.

They Do Say

That Henry Gilbride has a lame arm today.

That the Elks will miss "Charley" Molloy.

That it is a wise man who knows his limitations.

That the local basketball season will begin tonight.

That the Puntinas did things up brown last night.

That the track season at the high school will start soon.

That Lowell may yet be known as the [illegible] beautiful parks.

That "Jim" will be missed by the Lawrence street firemen.

That we used to laugh at the farmer but now he laughs at us.

That Iona Ford is proud of her name—also Helen Augusta Wind.

That no one can blame Elizabeth for being mad when called "Liz."

That some people who try to be witty succeed only in being wordy.

That the higher the ladies' shoes go the shorter the skirts grow.

That John Regan is a firm believer in the honesty of car conductors.

That there are poets who can get wildly intoxicated on the weather.

That the Bay State Cotton Corp. is not quite ready to build a new mill.

That a word of encouragement is worth more than a dozen compliments.

That you can't really forgive a person unless you forgive the wrong also.

That there's a great swearing off on the giving of Christmas presents this year.

That it is a quiet campaign but there's a lot of work being done on the Q. T.

That Joseph Payette will make an ideal president for Club Citoyens-Americains.

That the judges had a hard job awarding the prizes at the Lincoln masquerade.

That from 18 to 25 are usually sown the seeds of a great success or of a great failure.

That Industry council, R.A., has rounded out 20 successful years in spite of many storms.

That a number of local football fans will see the big football game in Haverhill tomorrow.

That Alphonse Fortier believes he can increase the membership of the C.M.A.C. to 1500.

That Cotter put something over on Daly when he handed him that bouquet at the Elks' show.

That there's a great opportunity to bring together the childless parent and the parentless child.

That the business men favor the erection of the new postoffice in the vicinity of Merrimack square.

That some women whom nature made sturdy think 'tis ladylike to adopt the voice and the ways of a sick kitten.

That more of the bald headed fraternity are getting their beans upholstered.

That the principal topic of conversation at the present time is whether the city will go "yes" or "no" on the license question.

That there are many beautiful Christmas gifts in the store windows, but it is difficult to make selections especially if your pocketbook is slim.

That the hardware dealers are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the very cold and snowy weather in order to start to unload their stock of skates and sleds.

That the increase in the price of some automobiles and the high price of gasoline may have something to do with decreasing the number of cars sold in 1917.

That the newspapermen who attend the sessions of police court can vouch for the truth of the old saying "one half the world doesn't know how the other half is living."

That the unemployed certainly enjoy seeing others work. If you don't believe it just take a look at the number of people who watch people working in the street or on a construction job.



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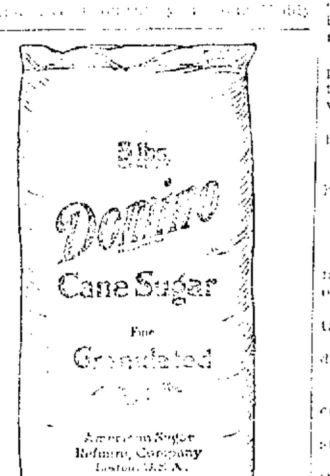
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EMBARGO ORDERS BAR SHIPMENT TO THE EAST

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Embargo orders which practically bar the west from shipment of commodities for export from Atlantic ports or for eastern consumption, went into effect on the Pennsylvania lines and the Erie railroad east of Chicago today.

Two other railroads, the New York Central lines, and the Wabash, ordered embargoes today. The Wabash placed an embargo on grain shipments and the New York Central on all foodstuffs except perishables and livestock.

The orders bar virtually every commodity, the usual exceptions being made, however, for perishable freight in transit and for United States government shipments. H. C. Snyder, assistant general freight agent of the Erie, explained that the order of his road "even applies to livestock to the extent that we no longer accept livestock from connecting lines." No limit is set on the duration of the embargo, which is attributed to the congestion of loaded freight cars in the yards on the Atlantic seaboard.

Notice of the embargo was served on the connecting lines by the two roads some time ago. The Pennsylvania order forbids agents to accept freight from connecting lines which is destined for points east of Pittsburg. The Erie order fixes Marion, O., as the farthest east point of destination.

Staple foodstuffs which do not require cold storage are forbidden by the embargo from going east of the Pittsburg-Marion lines. This would apply to potatoes, flour, beet sugar and canned goods. Such commodities as wheat, corn, building materials and manufacturing articles also are brought under the ban of the embargo orders.

Local railroad officials asserted that frequently cars of goods for export have been shipped without arrangements being made for bottoms to carry their load to Europe and that as a result the tangle of freight cars has grown so great that eastern roads have found it difficult to carry on their necessary business. Efforts of the roads, it was asserted, to carry out the recent orders of the interstate commerce commission to return the cars to the western lines have brought the situation to a crisis.

Officials of other roads operating east from Chicago, early today did not comment on current rumors that other lines intended issuing similar orders.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE

Continued

pervision and Instruction" and "The Transportation of Pupils."

Over twenty officials from Lowell and the various towns in this section were present at the opening of the session, which was held in the library, and at times the discussion brought forth some novel and interesting ideas. Several impromptu debates arose during the development of the themes and Mr. Wadsworth encouraged the widest possible discussion. He spoke largely from his own experience as school superintendent and member of school committees and more especially of conditions as he has discovered them while he has been connected with the state board of education.

Among those present were: Hugh J. Molloy, superintendent of schools, Lowell; Dr. John H. Lambert and John C. Leggat, of the local school committee; Principal John J. Mahoney of the Normal school; Ellen S. Perry, Wilmington; William H. Hall, Chelmsford; Alberto W. Small, school superintendent; Albert N. Fox, Dracut; Frank H. Hill, superintendent, Westford, Acton, Littleton and Carlisle; Charles O. Prescott, Westford; Mrs. Mary Larrabee, Tewksbury; Mrs. Blanche Burdett, North Reading; F. A. Russell, Methuen; E. L. Haynes, Methuen; John C. Angus, Andover; Fredsrick G. Moore, Andover; E. C. Sanborn, Andover and J. A. MacFougall, Wilmington.

At the opening of the session, Mr. Wadsworth declared: "This is a class in school administration and I want you all to ask questions." He then brought out their point of view by asking whether one member of a school committee constitutes a school committee and going into the matter of administration, asked whether the records of the school committee should be kept by a clerk, a member of the school committee or the school superintendent. It was his opinion, expressed after discussion, that the school superintendent should keep the records of the committee.

With chalk on a blackboard, Mr. Wadsworth sketched diagrams illustrating the development of school administration in Massachusetts. He showed the evils of ward representation on school committees and said there are cities in Massachusetts in which the good talkers on the board have good schools with efficient teachers while the poor representatives have poor schools.

Ideal Administration

He said that the ideal in school administration is the same as the ideal in business administration, viz: co-operation between the school committee and the school superintendent. The authority should not be wholly vested, he said, in either the committee or the superintendent. He told of instances that have come under his personal observation where lack of harmony and lack of system between the committees and the superintendent have brought about confusion and deterioration to the schools.

There are two types of school administration, said Mr. Wadsworth, viz: the complaint system and the business system. In the complaint system nothing is done, no evils are corrected and no improvements are introduced unless the people ask for them, and if anybody suggests some betterment a member of the school committee says: "Why I have not heard any complaint about it." Before any important matter is acted on the people must send a petition to the school committee. In the business type of administration the committee and the superintendent anticipate the complaints and the petitions and they do their duty from motives of service to the schools and to the children.

He also condemned the wrangles between committees and superintendents and said that if committees have complaints to make concerning the superintendent they ought to tell him about it and not tell it about indiscriminately. He told of a recent instance that came under his observation where a teacher who was wholly inefficient was kept in a school, merely because some foreign residents had objected to her. The school committee, he said, was more devoted to its own obstinate viewpoint than to the good of the school.

During the course of the discussion several questions were asked and at noon there was an intermission during which luncheon was served by the pupils of the vocational school. It was brought out that this conference is one of a series meant to prepare the people for a more uniform system of school administration and to bring about more efficient methods of school administration, especially in the smaller communities. Each school official in attendance was given a pamphlet prepared by the general education service along the lines suggested in the conference, with a preface by Francis G. Wadsworth.

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CHANGE OF TIME ON LOWELL-READING LINE

Special to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Local representatives of the Bay State Street Railway Co., appeared this morning before the public service commission in Boston for the change of time on the Lowell-Reading line, between the hours of 6.45 a. m. and 1.45 p. m. and between the hours of 5.45 p. m. and 9.45 p. m. No change is proposed in the service between Lowell and Chandler's turnout in Tewksbury.

During the time specified it is proposed to run the cars on an hourly schedule instead of a half hour as at the present time. These changes are proposed for week days only and not for Saturdays and Sundays.

F. A. Fager, representing the company, gave a detailed report at great length in which he said that the line is a seasonable one and that there are only a few passengers in the winter. In July, he said, the rate per car mile was 30 cents, while February it was only 17 cents.

Judge Charles S. Sullivan, of Boston, who resides in Tewksbury, petitioned that the car leaving Lowell for Foster's turnout at 7.45 be run as at present. Chairman McLeod, of the commission asked Mr. Fager if this would be possible and he said the problem would be taken under advisement.

E. H. De Lany of the Avery Chemical Co. of Wamesit said that his men work in three shifts and that 41 lived below Chandler's turnout. He said that the service now is poor enough, that the cars are frequently half an hour late and that on December 5th only two cars were on time. The cars going into Lowell, he said, are indecently crowded, and the girls from the Newton Mfg. Co. are frequently obliged to stand in cars filled with men.

He was questioned by Mr. Lees as to the time the three shifts start work.

Mr. De Lany said that he had petitioned for a shed to protect his employes but Mr. Lees testified that his company would not permit him to erect it. Chairman McLeod ruled that the matter should not come up at the hearing as the problem was one of service.

Capt. De Lany protested that the shed had to do with service, but that Mr. Lees said it would cost $325. Mr. Lees said that the Avery Chemical Co. had threatened to run a jitney service.

Melvin G. Rogers, town counsellor for Tewksbury, petitioned that the service remain as present.

Jeremiah J. Chandler said the present service is unsatisfactory and was not in favor of a change, which he said would not be any improvement.

Frank M. Tierney of Wilmington and J. W. Morton also appeared against the petition of the railway company. Mr. Morton asked if the raising of the fare to six cents had not improved conditions for the railway and Mr. Fager said he could not at this time tell. Mr. Fager testified further that the proposed change would save the company $18.95 per day during the winter months. Geo. P. Hooper also appeared in opposition, and the commission will give him and the other remonstrants a chance to present briefs on Dec. 20.

HOYT.

GREEK KING IS AGAIN SERIOUSLY ILL

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The health of King Constantine is again causing anxiety, according to news from German sources, says a Zurich despatch to the Matin. The old wound in the king's side continues to suppurate, the despatch says, and has kept constantly open. The king is said to be very weak.

LLOYD GEORGE ACCEPTS OFFICE OF PREMIER

LONDON, Dec. 8.—David Lloyd George, at Buckingham palace last night, formally kissed the king's hands on his acceptance of the offices of prime minister and first lord of the treasury. This indicates that in an unexpectedly short time, the new premier sees his way to the formation of an administration, and he was probably able to submit to the king a preliminary draft list of the principal proposed ministers.

Cabinet Uncertain

Doubtless much remains to be done in the way of the allocation of the new posts and so far as the public is concerned the personnel of the ministry is a matter of pure speculation. But the premier still has plenty of time before he has to meet parliament, on Tuesday, to complete details and he will doubtless be in a position to present to the house of commons his new national ministry, representing all parties with the possible exception of the nationalists, and if common report is to be trusted, comprising a strong ousiness element.

Little reliance can be placed upon the numerous names canvassed during the day, but it seems certain that his field of choice is much wider than was hastily assumed last night, when the admittedly difficult task confronting him was uppermost in the public mind and provoked misgivings regarding his chances of securing any continued support in parliament. These misgivings, to a large extent, have disappeared, mainly owing to the fact that he has been able to gain the support of the labor party by an offer of two ministerial posts and three under-secretaryships.

ASQUITH DECLINES EARLDOM

LONDON, Dec. 8.—According to the Chronicle, King George yesterday wrote to former Premier Asquith, offering him an earldom and the Order of the Garter. It is understood Mr. Asquith asked permission to decline both honors.

SUN BREVITIES

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Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Girard of West Bowers street are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, which occurred this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Zenon A. Chenette of Providence, R. I. have removed to this city, Mr. Chenette having secured a position in Lowell.

A smoking stove in a tenement in Cabot street was responsible for a telephone alarm which called out Hose 8 at 5.55 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Miss Helen Castles has returned to Manchester after spending the Thanksgiving holidays at her home, 154 Avon street. Miss Castles is a teacher in the Dubarton Centre school.

Among the trade-marks recently registered at the United States patent office through the office of Gardner W. Pearson, is one to Frank C. Goodale on the well known soft drink, Dandelio.

Miss Margaret Phinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Phinney, has entered the Lawrence General hospital to take a three years' course in nursing.

MR. WHEATON VISITS NORMAL SCHOOL

Mr. H. H. Wheaton of the bureau of education of the department of the interior who spoke before the board of trade last evening, visited the State Normal school this morning and gave an instructive and inspiring address to those who are training to be teachers, and several visitors. He spoke in a very practical manner, dealing especially with the best method of teaching English to foreigners. Principal John J. Mahoney introduced Mr. Wheaton, who was applauded with great enthusiasm and who was applauded still more when he finished his address.

Under the subject of "The Administration of Evening Schools," Mr. Wheaton discussed the necessity of regular attendance and of advertising adequately to ensure that those who need to attend the schools know about them. He mentioned incidents where immigrants were living in the same block with an evening school without knowing of its existence. He emphasized the importance of co-operation on the part of employers and emphasized as well the necessity of adequate teaching methods. He illustrated the latter in a very illuminating manner, showing definitely just what is meant by the object method, the theme method and the dramatic method.

The talk was listened to with the greatest interest by the Normal pupils and visitors and everyone felt that it fitted in perfectly with the program for the development of the usefulness of the evening schools as a medium for Americanizing the immigrant and bringing him into touch with the best in American life.

RABBI GLICK HERE

Rabbi Glick, author of translations from the Talmud, is in town and will lecture to local Hebrew organizations before his departure. Tomorrow morning he will address the Sons of Jacob, in the afternoon another Hebrew society. Sunday evening he will speak before the Y.M.H.A.

IN BOSTON

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Wicker Doll Carriages...$3.50 to $9.00	Children's Bassinettes....$4.00 to $8.00
Dolls' Tents $1.50	White Wooden Bassinettes $6.50 to $7.50
Dolls' Hammocks.....$1.25 to $3.00	White Willow Cradles.....$4.00
Dolls' Wood Beds.....$1.50 to $3.00	Baby Carriage Robes
Dolls' Brass Beds.....$2.50	Baby Toilet Chairs.....$1.00 to $2.00
Children's Wood Rockers 75c to $6.50	Baby Cadillac Toilet Seats.....$2.00
Children's Wicker Rockers $1.75 to $7.00	Children's Automobiles $5.00 to $10.00
Children's White Enamel Tables...$2.00	Baby Fancy Crib Robes 90c to $2.00
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	Children's Desks, complete with chairs .....$2.50 to $10.25

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NEBES WINS FIRST RACE FROM BURKE

In one of the most sensational roller skating races ever seen in Lowell, Albert Nebes of this city, claimant of the eastern championship, defeated Harry Burke of Bridgeport, Conn., by two yards after three miles of spectacular racing. Last night's race was the first of a series of three, between this pair of flyers for a purse of $400 and the title.

Burke came here Monday to train for the event. He put in considerable work on the track, and he showed by his work last night that he is thoroughly familiar with each and every turn. Many were of the opinion after the race that Burke took too many chances with his opponent, and feel that after the experience he acquired last night he will be a hard man for Nebes to beat tonight and tomorrow night, when the men will race five and ten miles respectively.

Nebes returned to Lowell yesterday morning, after appearing in three races on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights in Marlboro, where he won two out of the three events from Billy Moffatt of Worcester. In the final race at Marlboro on Wednesday night, which was over a ten mile course, Nebes was pushed to the limit, and only won after a desperate sprint in the last five laps. Moffatt gave him a great battle, and Nebes was forced to use everything he had to win. The result of the previous races affected Nebes last night, and after crossing the tape, he fell exhausted to the floor. He was carried to the dressing room, and soon recovered.

Before the big race last night, two amateurs, Gaudette of Lowell and Miller of Springfield appeared in a two mile race, which was won by the latter, by one lap.

The Big Race

Harry Burke of Bridgeport was then introduced, and he was given a great reception. He is a tall, rangy fellow, and was in fine condition. Nebes was then presented, and he was accorded an ovation. The skaters agreed that in the event of a fall or any other accident happening in the first mile, the men would start over again, but that "everything counted" after the 1st mile. A coin was tossed and Burke took the pole. At the sound of the gun, both dashed off and Burke immediately jumped into the lead. He held it for four laps with Nebes right at his heels. He then attempted to force Nebes into the lead, but the Lowell boy appeared content to allow his opponent to set the pace. After two more laps, Burke again turned to Nebes and this time the title claimant took his defy and passed him right on one of the corners. This was the signal for some speedy sprinting, and both men let out all they had, and for six laps the spectators were treated to some exciting work. Nebes would first be in front, then Burke, and positions changed and rechanged several times before the first mile was finished. During the second mile, Burke held the lead practically the entire time. At the beginning of the third mile, the spectators were all on their toes, and they witnessed a skating treat. Burke continued to set the pace and it was extremely fast, but the Lowell boy held right on and refused to allow the Bridgeport flyer to shake him off. The two men were locked in a desperate struggle and while Nebes made several attempts to overcome Burke, it was not until 15 of the 18 laps of the final mile had been covered that he was able to take the lead. This was accomplished by a trick of the game, Nebes going by Burke on the outside. Ordinarily a man passes another on the inside, but Nebes' stunt caught Burke napping. Try as he did, he was unable to overcome Nebes, and the Lowell boy just crossed the line two yards to the good. After rounding the corner beyond the tape, Nebes collapsed. It was due to exhaustion and he quickly recovered. The time for the race was ten minutes.

Nebes took a rest this morning, not appearing at the rink for he wants to be in good shape for the five mile event tonight. Regardless of the outcome of tonight's race the ten mile event scheduled for tomorrow night will be pulled off, and the indications point to a record crowd. The spectators were well pleased with the race last night, and both performers were enthusiastically applauded during the entire race. The work of Burke appealed to all, and he was pronounced the best man brought to Lowell this season.

Tonight's race will start at 8.30 o'clock.

HAVERHILL HIGH WILL FACE STRONG ELEVEN

WESTERN SCHOOL TEAM HAS SPLENDID REPUTATION AS SCORING MACHINE

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—When the Haverhill high school eleven, football champion of Essex county, lines up for the kickoff which will mark the opening of its game with Scott high of Toledo, at Haverhill tomorrow they will confront the greatest scoring machine ever turned out by a Toledo institution.

In its nine regularly scheduled games this season the Scott eleven aggregated 483 points, an average of 55 7-9 points per game. Their opponents' combined scores netted 18.

Scott opened the season by running up 64 points on a team considered to be a representative high school aggregation. A week later it totalled 59 points and then in the third game of the year defeated Central high of Detroit, which last season engaged in a scoreless tie with Everett high school, by a score of 37 to 2. Then followed victories over Erie, Pa., Muskegon, Mich., Freeport, Ill., and Waite high of Toledo, all schools of considerable importance in the western gridiron world. The Erie eleven gave the Scott machine its greatest battle, holding the Toledoans to a 33 to 3 score.

The Scott varsity eleven probably will line-up tomorrow as follows:

Morehead, left end; Frank Culver, left tackle; Felton, left guard; MacNichol, centre; Baer, right guard; Geo. Culver, right tackle; Saunders, right end; Kirk, quarterback; Urschel, left halfback; Usher, right halfback, and Capt. Cowell, fullback.

Wetzel probably will replace Saunders during at least a part of the game and Vick will be called upon to substitute for either Cowell or Usher. Clash may go in at right guard and MacInnis at left guard for a portion of the contest.

The Haverhill eleven will outweigh the Scott eleven approximately seven pounds to the man. The Toledo team will average about 153, while their eastern opponents average about 160. Saunders at right end is the most diminutive of the Scott athletes, weighing but 132 pounds. MacNichol at centre, who tips the beam at 176, is the heaviest member of the squad.

VICTORS ROLL GOOD IN BRIDGE ST. LEAGUE

The Victors won an easy game from the Bowlaways on the Bridge street alleys in the Bridge street league last evening. Four members of the winning team averaged better than 100 a string. In the Broadway league on the Merrimack alleys the Bunnys won from the Breezes. Dick O'Brien, captain of the Bunnys, was high man with a total of 324. The Power House quintet of the Newton Mfg. Co. lost to the Olympics by four points.

The score:

POWDER HOUSE

	1	2	3	T'ls
A. Doyle	105	97	96	295
Reed	94	134	100	328
Keefe	91	100	95	285
Molloy	84	87	86	257
Ed Doyle	75	106	91	271
Totals	449	523	470	1440

OLYMPICS

Silcox	93	90	101	284
Costello	97	108	125	330
Mahon	85	95	88	268
O'Brien	94	94	82	270
Mitchell	112	85	95	292
Totals	481	472	491	1444

Bridge Street League

VICTORS

	1	2	3	T'ls
Breen	121	107	100	328
Larkin	96	79	105	280
Nolan	123	101	93	317
McKenzie	105	107	91	303
Mullarkey	91	125	91	307
Totals	536	519	480	1535

BOWLAWAYS

Laffey	92	97	88	277
Hart	115	90	90	295
Floley	68	84	86	238
Ingalls	88	96	86	270
Small	97	98	94	289
Totals	460	465	444	1369

Bowlaway League

BUNNYS

	1	2	3	T'ls
Sub	84	78	88	250
Calden	80	88	72	240
Morrison	93	112	109	314
Kelly	88	76	82	241
R. O'Brien	89	100	135	324
Totals	429	454	486	1369

BREEZES

McCann	91	74	81	246
Donovan	109	93	76	278
Clancy	81	97	92	270
Rodgers	82	101	100	282
Mahoney	84	80	81	245
Totals	447	365	430	1322

McMahon Brothers Won

The McMahon Brothers won the first game of the season from the Royal Rs of the Scott Cigar Manufacturers—all cigar makers—by over 160 pins last night. The first string was tied with 429 but the second and last strings were one sided. The score:

McMAHON BROS.

James McMahon	86	97	101	278
George McMahon	79	99	97	275
Arthur McMahon	86	95	101	282
John McMahon	89	93	111	293
Ben McMahon	95	91	88	274
Totals	429	475	498	1402

ROYAL R

E. Scott	91	70	79	240
Davis	96	90	105	291
Scholes	100	79	83	262
Kane	74	70	84	228
W. Scott	68	100	84	252
Totals	429	409	435	1273

HANSEN WON DECISION FROM BARTLETT

PHINNEY BOYLE MATCHED TO MEET WINNER—HANSEN'S VICTORY WAS CLEAN CUT

Larry Hansen of Denmark, outpointed Walter Bartlett of California, in one of the best swatfests ever seen in Lawrence last night before the Unity Cycle club of that city, in a twelve round battle.

Both men threw science to the wind and waded into each other, shedding punches like a duck sheds water. Hansen came back strong in the closing round and strengthened his early lead which Bartlett had wiped out in the ninth, tenth and eleventh rounds. Hansen well earned the verdict he received as he did the best punching throughout while Bartlett put up a remarkable battle, finishing the contest with both eyes nearly closed and giving a great exhibition of gameness.

Phinney Boyle, of this city, will clash next week with Hansen, as Manager Cilley said before the main bout that he would match Boyle with the winner. Boyle has one decision over Hansen, as he defeated the rugged Hansen before the same club last year in a whirlwind battle. Boyle also boxes Mickey Donnelly at Boston Tuesday evening.

LOOKING BACKWARD

When old and bent we sit about
Conversing of the things we've seen,
We'll turn time's pages back, no doubt,
To reach the year nineteen sixteen.

And will some ancient then suggest
That was the year that saw us rent
By politics—the year the west
Elected Wilson president?

Or will some garrulous old man
Seek to recall the past once more
By slowly mapping out the plan
That marked the third year of the war?

No, "That's the year," we all will say,
"That Yale got back upon the job,
The year the Red Sox raced away,
The year that Tris outbatted Cobb."

Walter Trumbull in New York World.

DARTMOUTH AWARDS LETTERS

HANOVER, N. H., Dec. 8. Thirteen Dartmouth players received the football insignia for playing the requisite 15 minutes in either the Princeton or Pennsylvania games as a result of the deliberations of the athletic council yesterday afternoon.

The list includes R. H. Pierce, T. L. Cotton, A. O. Duncan, J. W. Emery, Jr., B. O. Gerrish, A. B. Gile, K. L. Thielscher, P. W. Trier, F. J. Dussosoit, A. F. Youngstrom, J. L. Cannell, E. W. Edwards and E. G. Neeley. According to the new rule of the council only the last named four got letters. The other nine men are eligible to wear the stripe signifying that they have won the letter twice.

FUNERAL NOTICES

DUFOR—The funeral of Clovis Dufor will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock, from St. Louis' church. Undertaker Napoleon Bilodeau has charge of the arrangements.

EMERSON—Died in Dracut, Dec. 7, at the Flint hospital, Frank Waldo Emerson, aged 64 years, 1 month and 19 days. Funeral services will be held at his home, 24 Bellevue street, this city, on Monday, Dec. 11, at 2.30 p. m. Friends invited without further notice. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

HATCH—Died Dec. 7, in this city, Cyrus G. Hatch, aged 81 years, 10 months and 28 days, at his home, 24 Starbird street. Funeral services will be held at 24 Starbird street, Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. Burial private. Kindly omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

HAYES—Died in Dracut, Dec. 6, at the home of his son, Heber R. Hayes, Willow avenue, Dracut, Charles W. Hayes, aged 57 years, 5 months and 8 days. Funeral services will be held at the home of his son, Willow avenue, Dracut, on Saturday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. Friends invited without further notice. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

KELLY—The funeral of James Kelly will take place from his late home, 147 Coburn street, Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. Funeral high mass at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangement in charge of C. H. Molloy Sons.

KELLY—The funeral of the late Miss M. Elizabeth Kelly will take place Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her home, No. 203 Cross street. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church Monday morning, the hour to be announced later. Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

MOLLOY—The funeral of C. H. Molloy will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from his late home, 447 Bridge street. A solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Michael's church at 10 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery.

POQUETTE—Died Dec. 8, in this city, Chester W. Poquette, aged 4 months, 7 days, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Poquette, 78 Manufacturers street. Funeral services will be held at 78 Manufacturers street, Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

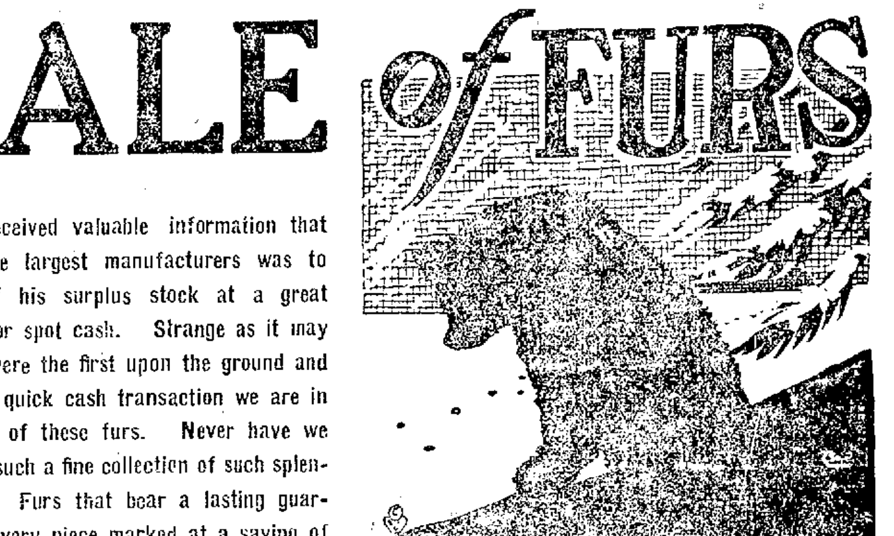
RILEY—The funeral of the late Mrs. Ellen Riley will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from her home, 159 Broadway. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

RICE—Died Dec. 6, in this city, Wesley F. Rice, aged 47 years, 5 months and 19 days, at his home, 666 School st. Funeral services will be held at 666 School street Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Owing to sickness in the family the services at the house and the grave will be private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

WALSH—Died in this city, Dec. 7, at her home, 62 Lundberg street, Mrs. Mary Jane Walsh, aged 53 years, 6 months and 3 days. Funeral services will be held at her late home, 62 Lundberg street on Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.

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FUNERALS

JACOBSON—The funeral of Barnett Jacobson took place yesterday from the home, 135 Railroad street. Burial was in the Hebrew cemetery, Pelham, N. H., under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

MARTIN—The funeral of George Thomas Martin was held yesterday afternoon from the home of his parents, Eugene and Clara Martin, 40 Hudson street. Burial was in the Edson cemetery. The funeral was in charge of Undertakers Higgins Brothers.

McCRAE—The body of the late John T. McCrae was sent to his home in Middlebury, Vt., last night by Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

PENDERGAST—The funeral of Andrew Pendergast was held yesterday from the rooms of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons. Burial was in Salisbury Point cemetery, Salisbury, where a committal service was read by Rev. James Smith.

MASS NOTICE

There will be a month's mind mass for the late Jack H. Coffey at St. Patrick's church Saturday morning, at 8 o'clock.

MASS NOTICE

There will be an anniversary mass Monday morning at eight o'clock at the Immaculate Conception church for the late Thomas J. O'Leary.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, take this means of publicly expressing our heartfelt thanks to our many friends, who, by their consoling words and profuse floral tributes helped to lighten our burden of sorrow in the recent death of our beloved wife and sister, Mrs. Gertrude (Clark) Hartigan.

In special manner do we thank the employes of the night construction and day ballet departments of the U.S. Cartridge Co. for their magnificent spiritual and floral offerings. Such deeds and their names shall ever be foremost in our grateful and loving remembrance.

William J. Hartigan,
Mrs. P. J. Garrity,
Frederick, Clifford and Benjamin Clark.

MASS NOTICE

There will be a month's mind mass for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Mary Healey Saturday morning, Nov. 9th, at 8 o'clock, the offering of the Rosary society, at St. Michael's church.

DEATHS

HATCH—Cyrus G. Hatch died yesterday at his home, 24 Starbird street, aged 81 years. He leaves two sons, Horatio W. and George C. Hatch. Mr. Hatch was a member of Pentucket lodge, A.F. and A.M.

EMERSON—Frank W. Emerson died yesterday at Flint hospital in Dracut, aged 64 years. His home was at 24 Bellevue street. He is survived by his wife, Dora H. Emerson; one half brother, Walter S. Dockham and a half sister, Mrs. Henry P. Hutchins of Nashua, N. H. Mr. Emerson was a past master of Pentucket lodge, A.F. and A.M., and a member of Mount Horeb Royal Arch chapter, Ahasuerus council and Pilgrim commandery, Knights Templars.

DUFOR—Clovis Dufor, aged 56 years, died this morning at his home in St. Paul street, Dracut.

KELLY—Miss M. Elizabeth Kelly, daughter of the late James and Ann F. Gaffney Kelly, died last night at her home, 203 Cross street. Deceased was an esteemed member and a devout attendant of St. Patrick's church and was prominently indentified with the interests of the parish. She leaves two sisters, the Misses Sarah A. and Josephine T. Kelly, three brothers, Peter A. of Los Angeles; Frank T. of Lowell and John J. of Los Angeles, California.

MOUNTFORD—Mrs. Mary Mountford, widow of the late John Mountford, passed away early this morning at her home, 52 London street, at the age of 79 years, 5 months and 4 days. Mrs. Mountford was born in Macclesfield, Cheshire, Eng., and has been a resident of this city for the past 34 years. She is survived by three sons, John T. W. Mountford of Stoddard, N. H.; Robert W. and James E. of this city, two daughters, Mrs. Carl Santesson of Australia and Miss Maude M. Mountford of this city. Mrs. Mountford was one of the oldest members of the First Primitive Methodist church.

WALSH—Mrs. Mary J. Walsh, widow of the late John Walsh, formerly of the Walsh Worsted Mfg. Co., passed away last evening at her home, 62 Lundberg street, after a short illness at the age of 53 years, 6 months and 3 days. Mrs. Walsh is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Fred W. Duncklee and one son, Frank E. Walsh; two stepsons, William H. all of this city and James H. Walsh of Lawrence also by two grandchildren.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

MAINE COTTON MILL WORKERS GET INCREASE

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Operatives in virtually all cotton mills in Maine will receive an advance in wages of about 10 per cent, beginning Jan. 1, it was learned today. The advance was voted at a conference of mill treasurers and agents in this city yesterday. All of the principal cotton manufacturing interests in Maine are understood to have been represented.

MILLS AFFECTED

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 8.—Cotton mill operatives in the larger mills in Maine, affected by the increase of 10 per cent. in wages, which will become effective on Jan. 1, include those in mills at Waterville, Augusta, Brunswick, Biddeford, Saco, Auburn and Lewiston. It is believed here that a corresponding increase will be granted those in the smaller mills. Cotton manufacturing plants in Maine, according to the last report of the Maine department of labor, employ 15,510 hands on an average.

20 PER CENT. BONUS

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Two thousand employes of the Arlington Co. of Arlington, N. J., subsidiary of the du Pont Powder Co., have been granted an increase in pay in the form of a 20 per cent. bonus on an annual pay roll of $1,920,000, it was announced today. This makes an increase to the workers of $384,000.

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SUGAR, limited with orders	7½c
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Fresh Killed Fowl, 3 paunders	18c
Legs and Loins Lamb	15c
Pork Loins, very fancy	15c
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Beef to Roast	12½c
Boiled Hams	26c
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Florida Oranges	25c	Boston Celery	15c
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Bananas	20c	Kale	10c
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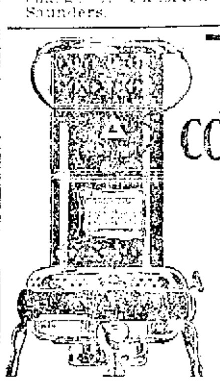
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Sirloin	20c	Veal Chops	15c
Rump	28c	Pork Chops	15c
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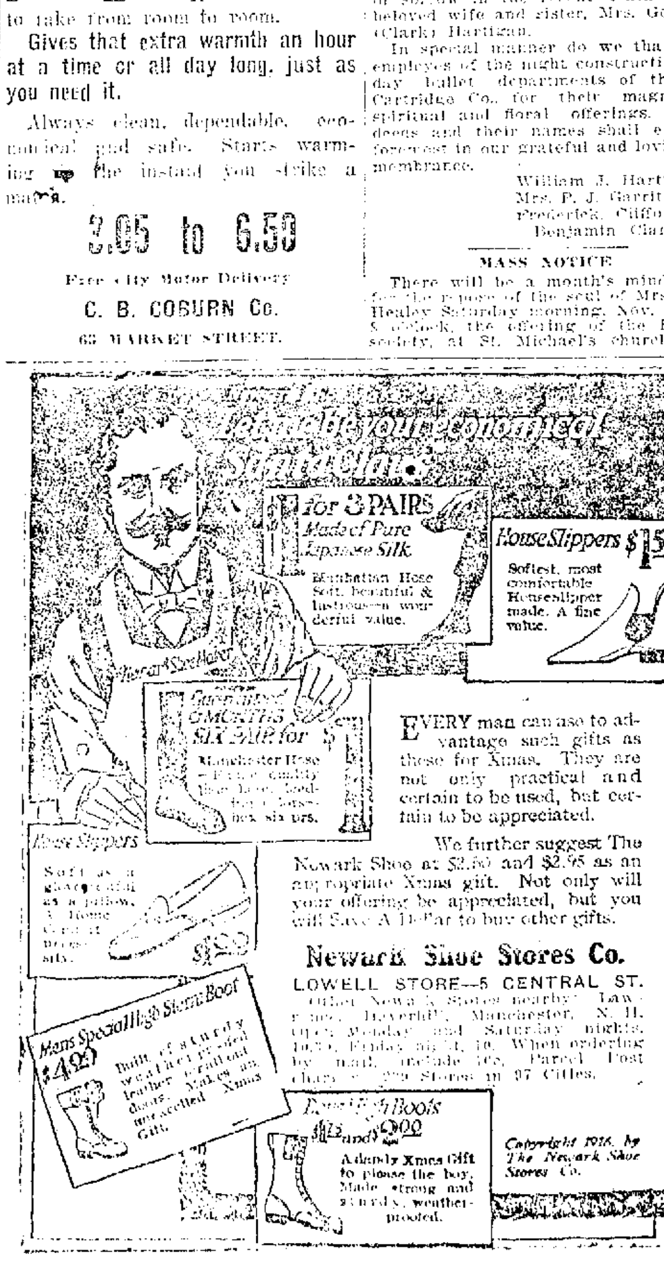
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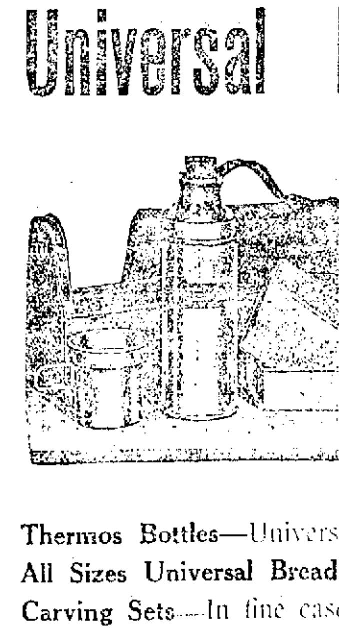
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Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
5.28	6.9	7.55	8.38
6.25	7.26	8.00	8.03
6.47	7.8	9.45	9.17
10.58	7.59	7.13	8.24
8.57	8.0	7.45	8.31
7.21	8.06	10.21	9.31
7.28	8.4	8.45	9.49
7.56	8.37	8.00	8.39
8.36	9.31	9.30	10.09
10.22	10.8	11.30	12.09
9.27	10.25	12.30	1.08
1.19	11.25	11.05	1.58
10.35	11.46	2.20	3.19
11.15	11.45	3.00	8.17
12.13	1.06	10.44	5.09
11.57	2.40	4.40	4.39
1.59	2.56	11.14	5.34
2.30	3.21	5.00	5.33
11.10	4.11	11.21	6.37
3.55	4.58	7.05	7.19
4.15	5.08	10.21	7.11
5.25	6.26	6.14	7.23
5.26	6.36	5.00	5.58
10.02	7.16	5.30	10.08
6.22	7.47	9.50	10.43
8.15	8.51	10.30	11.37
9.45	10.31	11.40	12.39

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.25	7.38	9.15	10.39
7.54	8.45	10.50	11.53
9.40	10.53	11.59	12.36
10.59	12.07	3.30	4.41
12.05	1.13	5.14	6.13
3.42	4.41	6.03	7.05
5.14	6.44	6.40	7.07
7.07	8.15	9.49	11.14
10.15	11.38		

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.35	12.09
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.59
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.31
2.52	3.36	7.15	8.20
5.10	6.00	8.00	8.33
7.28	7.10	8.30	9.03
5.15	8.57	9.20	10.35
8.45	9.43	10.29	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.13
12.07	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.06	3.30	4.45
5.45	7.00	5.20	6.36
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.47

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LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE

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and over the stage was a large banner with the words "Welcome" flashing out in golden letters. The arrangement of the tables was very effective and at the close of the dinner those present gathered to the central part of the hall and listened to the addresses by the two prominent speakers who were closely followed and at times heartily applauded.

The music throughout the evening was of a very high order and called forth appreciative comment from the speakers and the heartiest applause from the audience. Before the dinner a concert of patriotic airs was given by the California boys' band of the Keith circuit and at intervals throughout the evening selections were given by the Boston quintet, consisting of Robert Nichols, Walter E. Anderton, Dr. Arthur Gould, Augustus T. Beatey and Roy E. Harlow. Many of their numbers were from the classic operas and it is a healthy sign of local appreciation that these were the most enjoyed.

At the head table sat H. H. Wheaton, Robert F. Marden, George W. Perkins, Hon. James E. O'Donnell, John A. Hunnewell, W. H. Watson, Harvey B. Greene, Rev. Dr. Keleher, Rev. Mr. English, Newell F. Putnam, William W. Duncan, C. H. Nelson, H. A. Smith, A. G. Walsh and representatives of the press.

Robert F. Marden

At 7:30 President Robert F. Marden called to order and made a brief introductory address. He said that the dinner was for a very specific purpose and that its title "America First" went further than the wearing of the flag which each had been given as a favor. Dinners are forgotten, he said, but the truths uttered remain when based on a solid foundation. He especially asked for the speakers the closest attention of Lowell men, because Lowell has a vital interest in the two main topics of the evening. He also spoke in a lighter vein, commenting on the singers and making allusions which were not lost on the audience.

George W. Perkins

Before making his main address, which he read from manuscript, George W. Perkins spoke informally in a witty vein. He praised the Boston quintet which, he said, had changed his previous impression that the only good thing that came out of Boston was the 4 o'clock train for New York. Commenting on the statement of Mr. Marden that one of the speakers could not appear because he was "summoned by the national government," Mr. Perkins said "He has my sympathy, I know what that means." Apologizing for the hoarseness of his voice he said "It is because I cheered so loud and long after the recent election."

He said in part:

The topic assigned to me by your president is "The Development and Protection of American Trade, Domestic and Foreign." This is certainly a subject that should be most thoroughly and generally discussed at this moment. The great pity is that it has not had more general discussion in recent years, especially during the last two or three years, for in regard to both our foreign and domestic trade I most cordially agree with the statement made by Mr. Hughes during the recent campaign to the effect that we are living in a fool's paradise.

The subject is so broad and the existing condition so serious that it is impossible to cover it in a paper to be read at a luncheon. I will, therefore, simply state the more salient points of the subject as I see them and endeavor to do it in such a way as to inspire some of you not only to go more deeply into the subject but to follow your study with some immediate action. It has been amazing to me for a number of years that our usually keen, alert, resourceful business men have been content to let drift matters that are so vital not only to them but to the future well-being of our country as a whole.

Many of you know that I have believed for years and have been arguing for years that the greater part of our present day difficulties in foreign and domestic trade has arisen through the passage and attempted enforcement of the Sherman law. That law was passed 26 years ago. It was passed because with the advent of large corporations had come abuses and evils of which the people were beginning to complain. The framers of the Sherman law evidently felt that as the abuses complained of were, to a considerable extent, modern, they existed because the giant corporation with which they were associated was likewise modern. They therefore enacted legislation which struck at the size and magnitude of business enterprises, believing that if they could reduce the size they would reduce the evils.

Our utter neglect to put up a manly, courageous, intelligent fight has brought us face to face with problems of a most serious and far-reaching nature; for while we have been pursuing a business policy of repression and dissolution, Germany, for instance, has been pursuing a policy of expansion and combination. Twenty-five years ago we began to legislate against the attempt to do business by co-operative effort. At almost the same time Germany began to legislate in favor of doing business by co-operative effort. She organized her industries into large business units and did it with the hearty co-operation and assistance of her government. She has saved the waste, improved the efficiency and prevented improper practices, and has strengthened herself in every possible way by so doing; strengthened herself in domestic trade, benefited her working classes, and improved the quality of her output. In her foreign trade she has gone ahead by leaps and bounds, outstripping nearly all her rivals. In her use of modern methods of intercommunication and in her application of science to many of the practical every-day business affairs of the world, she has outstripped every other nation.

At about the time that our government was dissolving the Standard Oil company the German Steel syndicate, embracing a very large percentage of the German steel business men, met in Berlin. Sharp differences arose between the manufacturers and they were about to dissolve the syndicate, go home and fight for business independently, when the German minister of finance sent them word not to adjourn until he could come to their meeting. He went to the meeting and notified them that they could not disband the syndicate; that they must stay in session until they had worked out some method of continuing the co-operative arrangement under which they had been working.

Our government insists on a policy of dissolution; the German government insists on a policy of co-operation.

This was the situation when the war broke out and a colossal, unprecedented opportunity beckoned to our country. But we took absolutely no advantage of it. We kept to our course, continued our effort to smash up our large business units, continued the fight between government and business, passed some make-believe laws at Washington, and allowed ourselves to be soothed by some beautifully-rounded phrases to the effect that all was now well between our government and our business. Our newspapers told us when the war broke out that we were at once going to capture the trade of the world and become the great financial and commercial centre of the universe.

The Cotton Trade

The war had hardly broken out when we were telling ourselves that we would at once capture the cotton trade of the world. What has happened? Notwithstanding the colossal war England has been conducting, notwithstanding the financial and other aid she has had to give her allies, England sold to South America in the first eight months of 1914 over 200,000,000 yards of cotton goods. In the same period of this year she has sold South America over 300,000,000 yards—an increase of 100,000,000 yards. This increase alone exceeded our entire exportation of cotton goods to South America in the first eight months of this year.

Our country produces two-thirds of the cotton of the world, yet our exports of cotton piece goods to the entire world amounted to but 500,000,000 yards in the fiscal year of 1916; while England exported nearly that amount in each and every month of the same year.

England has been doing all this while we have been doing a large part of England's manufacturing in war materials. It is quite evident that England has not been so engrossed in the manufacture of war materials for her great war that she could not keep her foreign trade; but it is equally evident that we have been so engrossed in manufacturing war materials for England's great war that we could not capture any of England's foreign trade and could not improve the golden opportunity to build up our own foreign trade. We have been doing the ephemeral thing. England the permanent thing. We have been doing the ephemeral thing because of the utter lack of statesmanship at Washington and a get-rich-quick policy among our manufacturers and business men generally throughout the country. I for one feel very keenly that it is high time to call a halt; we must arouse ourselves to the dangers confronting us, for we are as unprepared for peace as we are for war."

President's Message

After referring to President Wilson's statement in his message to congress relative to the necessity of building up our export trade, the speaker proceeded to pay his respects to the Wilson administration. He said the president's statement was a splendid one, but didn't square itself with other statements made by the president during the year as to the clarifying virtues of the Clayton act and the Federal Trade commission.

"All the Clayton bills that can be enacted, all the Federal Trade commissions that can be established, all the finely-worded messages that can be addressed to congress," said the speaker, "will avail us nothing so long as the Sherman law remains on our statute books in its present form and is used by our government as its chief weapon to destroy large business organizations. It is impossible for us to have large industrial units with which to compete for the business of the world so long as the Sherman law remains on the books in its present form.

"The Sherman law has been the politician's greatest asset, the business man's greatest liability, and the public's broken reed.

Europe's Gold

"When this war is over we are going to have a preponderance of Europe's gold. Europe will not only want to get this gold back, but she will have to get it back. She can get it back in but two ways—in trade or by sending battleships over here and taking it. In my judgment she will have an opportunity to try both ways. First, she will send us manufactured goods at a price so low that our factories cannot compete on anything like our present wage scale. She can do this because her millions of men who are now in the armies will be only too glad to get back to some safe occupation at even meagre wages. Furthermore, she can do it because hundreds of thousands of women in Europe are now engaged in various occupations in which men have heretofore been engaged, and these women will continue to do some of this work. She can do it because she has learned the value of co-operation and how to save waste. She can do it because she has increased the number of her factories and installed the most modern machinery, supplemented by many new inventions.

"I believe that the European powers will one day demand of us a settlement of their claims against Mexico which, in the aggregate, unquestionably represent a very large sum. When this time comes, we will have to settle for cash ourselves, or force Mexico to settle, or defend our Monroe doctrine in a war with Europe. And what will more quickly draw the European countries together than a common cause against our bulging pocketbook?

"I believe we should immediately have from the congress just now convening, constructive legislation that will relieve our railroads of their enormous embarrassment and that will permit them to obtain federal charters or some form of federal license; that we should either abolish the Sherman law or so modify it that large business units can be legally conducted under the supervision and regulation of the federal government, in such a way as to bring benefit to producer, consumer, stockholder and labor alike, eradicating through supervision and publicity the evils of which the public complained and preserving the economic advantages that they undoubtedly provide; that questions relating to industrial occupations should be under federal regulation and control, particularly where the state laws regarding them are all at sixes and sevens. In short, that we should frankly recognize and admit that we can no longer act as though we were 48 separate nations and if we wish to continue to call ourselves the United States of America and speak of ourselves as a nation. The cable, the telephone, the wireless, the submarine, the airship demand that we become a unified nation, in fact as well as theory, just as the other nations of the world are unified, and that we work for but one single purpose, viz., the best, the highest good of the nation as a whole."

H. H. Wheaton

H. H. Wheaton of the federal bureau of education proved a speaker of unusual force, eloquence and logic. He said that before we adopt the things on which Mr. Perkins spoke it shall be necessary to weld this nation into a unified whole and this cannot be done while there is a vast immigration pouring in yearly and not being assimilated. He spoke in an idealistic vein saying that we must still be mindful of the oppressed of other lands and must reach them the helping hand of education. He told of what is now being done by his department at Washington and of the response of Detroit, Chicago and other cities. His specific plea was for the cultivation and promotion of means to bring the immigrants into schools where they may learn English and become imbued with American standards. He said, in part:

"Mr. Perkins, in the back of his mind, I think, means before anything else a unified country," said Mr. Wheaton. "America first in allegience, America first in efficiency, America first in fighting for the common good, and America first in the right—those are the things we want."

We believe in equality of opportunity, he said, and because of that the constitution was written, and when that was written we were more or less a unified country. Since that time there has been more or less of a change. We have secured an influx from every quarter of the globe, he said. Following those who had ideals and aspirations like our own, there came another influx—after the Civil war Labor came from southern and eastern Europe—Croatia, Poland, Russia, Turkey, Syria and eventually from China. It brought in races far different from our own. It swelled and grew and until 1905 when it reached the million mark. When the present war broke out one-third of our entire population was foreign-born.

American Type

The problem is that of adjusting that mass to the fundamental American type—whatever that type may be. The problem is serious in every one of its aspects. In 1910 there were over nine millions who could not speak the language of this country, and 1,660,000 were illiterate in any language.

In the world of business the question is equally difficult, and the question of housing is closely related. Then there are the colonies in our big cities, where problems of sanitation and education must be solved.

But, to start the thing right, he said, Mr. Wheaton felt that we should start at home and Americanize Americans. Some of the customs, some of the acts, much of the boldness and daring and desire for equality and opportunity which the immigrants bring with them should be preserved.

We should give to the foreigner the English language, and then should get in touch with him and draw out of him the finer qualities he possesses. It is business' obligation to take up these men and seek to make them efficient workers. Business is paying these men's wages—industry is keeping them here. But if business men do not see that these men are put in the positions where they rightfully belong, does not see that they are given as large a measure of efficiency as possible, then a solution of the problem has not been solved.

Most of the immigrants came here from rural life, into a sphere for which they have been but poorly fitted.

Mr. Wheaton said that his department had appealed to labor unions, to educators, to the newspapers, in an "America First" movement, with the idea of more thoroughly Americanizing the immigrants. The desire was to get into closer touch with the evening schools. He cited Detroit as an example of what had been done along this line. Civic and fraternal organizations, business and patriotic societies carried on the campaign, and Detroit increased its attendance of men at evening schools by 152 per cent. over the year previously. Chicago and Pittsburg have carried on similar campaigns.

In this year the business man has learned what it means to have an unnaturalized class of labor. Statistics show more accidents, loss of efficiency and dropping down of production where unnaturalized workers have been employed.

The second phase of the campaign is the teaching of English and civics in manufacturing plants. The Ford Motor Co. has done this, and as a result accidents have been reduced 52 per cent. The Packard Motor Co. does likewise and compels attendance at such schools.

Business men see an economic gain through fewer accidents, less loss of time, greater general efficiency. "When we think of this problem as true Americanism, there we will see the real reason why we should treat the immigrant in this manner.

"We should make America first in the real big sense, for before we can go far in tackling the big problems we should have a united people within the United States."

Music and Toast

Between the two addresses of the evening there was an interval given over to music and the Boston quintet were encored so often that they had to give a virtual recital. They sang such old favorites as "The Rosary," "Love's Old Sweet Song" and "The Stein Song" and such ambitious numbers as the sextet from Lucia and selections from Rigoletti and Carmen.

At the close of the musical selections President Marden rose and proposed a toast "To the United States of America." The toast was drunk in Moxie supplied by Harry A. Thompson as a compliment to the board of trade.

The evening was brought to a close by a hearty singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" and the hundreds of guests went into the cool night air with the slogan "America First" ringing in their ears.

KEEPS YOUTHS IN GREECE

ATHENS, Dec — Owing to the great increase in the emigration of minors to the United States, who have not reached the age to perform their military service, the Greek government has increased the amount of deposit to be made with the government by the parents or guardians of any minor male child who leaves Greece. A youth born in 1898 must deposit, or his parents must deposit for him $125; one born in 1899, $100; in 1900, $75; 1902, $50; and 1903, $50. Without the deposit being made it is impossible for any male Greek of the age indicated to secure a ticket on a foreign bound vessel.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

NICE COTTAGE of 7 rooms for sale, near Kinsman st.; fine repair inside and out; $1350. M. Queally, 41 Royal st. Tel. 2958-W.

STORE, STABLE and 2000 ft. of land for sale. Inquire 382 Lawrence st.

FOR SALE

SHOE REPAIRING SHOP for sale, first class, with motor and finishing bench, all tools necessary, well established. Write E39, this office.

DANDY SITTING ROOM STOVE for sale, Glenwood medium size, having installed steam heat cause for selling. 506 Gorham street.

LUNCH ROOM for sale; busy location; near factories; living rooms; cheap rent; bargain. Write K 52, Sun Office.

FAST ROADSTER in good condition, for sale; price $125. Address L 18, Sun Office.

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WANTED

HOME wanted for upright piano, must be placed at once; might consider selling later if satisfactory arrangements can be made. Address 285, Sun Office.

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LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Jacob Krikorian, of Lowell in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to John S. Brodie, of said Lowell, dated January 23, 1915, and recorded in the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 280, will be sold at public auction upon the premises on Saturday, the twenty-third day of December, 1916, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, containing ten thousand four hundred fifty-five (10,455) square feet, more or less, situated on the southerly side of Tyler Street and the westerly side of Lawrence Street in said Lowell, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the granted premises at the intersection of said streets; thence running southerly on said Lawrence Street one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to land now or formerly of E. B. Patch; thence running westerly at a right angle on said Patch land one hundred two (102) feet to land now or formerly of Horace J. Adams; thence running northerly on said Adams land one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to said Tyler street; thence running easterly on said Tyler Street one hundred two (102) feet to the point of beginning. Said premises will be conveyed subject to the condition or restriction so far as the same is now in force, that no building shall be erected on the same within eight (8) feet of said Tyler Street, as provided in earlier deeds. Being the same premises conveyed to said Jacob Krikorian by said John S. Brodie and Alvira Brodie by their deed dated January 23, 1915, and recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 278. Said premises will be conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes or any other assessments if any there be.

Frederic S. Harvey,
Assignee of said mortgage.

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Administratrix' Sale of Real Estate

By virtue of a license from the Probate Court within and for the County of Middlesex, Massachusetts, will sell at Public Auction on the premises, on Saturday, December 9, 1916, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the following described parcel of real estate with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows, to wit: a certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on the north side of Lagrange Street in said Lowell, and bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on said Lagrange Street which is about ninety-four feet and three inches distant easterly from Marion Street at land now or formerly of one French; thence northerly along said French land, seventy-six feet and eight inches to land now or formerly of one Murray, thence at a right angle easterly twenty-eight feet and seven inches to a stake at said Murray land; thence at a right angle southerly, fifteen feet and one inch; thence at a right angle easterly, four feet and six inches; thence at a right angle southerly along said Murray land, sixty-one feet and seven inches to said Lagrange Street; thence westerly along said Lagrange Street thirty-three feet and one inch to the point of beginning.

Being the same premises conveyed to Patrick Kane by Ellen McArdell by her deed dated August 31, 1882 and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 151, Page 526.

Terms and conditions of sale to be announced by auctioneer at time of sale.

Witness, Agnes C. Kirwin to mark of M. K.

Her
Mary X Kane,
mark.
Administratrix of the Estate of
Patrick Kane.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary P. Prevost, late of Westford in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Henry W. Prevost, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.

ds.11,18.

HELP WANTED

GIRL wanted at once. Call John McManus, 15 Merrimack Square.

TEXTILE MILLS MEN wanted. Overseer cotton ring spinning; brush maker, worsted mill; second-hand woolen carding, $21; general second-hand in cotton carding; woolen, worsted and cotton loom fixers; finished percher for position in Boston; cotton spindle setter, $18; fixer J. & B. Mules, $18; second-hand Universal winding on thread, $15 week; dresser tender, woolens; sewing machine fixer, $35. Charles P. Raymond Agency, 294 Washington St., Boston.

WOMAN wanted for housework. Call at 13 Riverside ave.

SUSPENDER WEB WEAVERS wanted at T. Martin & Bro. Mfg. Co., 100 Cambridge st.

FREE—12 decorated teacups and saucers for selling 24 popular song books at 10c each. Write T 13, Sun Office.

ALL ROUND MACHINISTS with at least four years' experience, wanted; good pay. Middlesex Service Bureau, 398 Middlesex st.

AUTOMOBILE PAINTER AND FINISHER wanted; must be first class; steady job; good wages. Apply Indian Head Garage, Nashua, N. H.

EXPERIENCED GIRL wanted for general housework. Apply 279 Nesmith st.

SHEAR TENDERS and PERCHERS

Wanted at once at Talbot Mills, North Billerica.

LOST AND FOUND

HAND BAG containing two pocketbooks found Saturday night, in front of Woolworth's 5 & 10c store. Owner may have same by calling at 23 Lombard st., identifying property and paying for this advertisement.

FOX HOUND PUPPY lost, black, white and brown. Please return to Hugh Mullen, 7 Fay's court.

SMALL BLACK POCKETBOOK lost Saturday, near Merrimack square, containing sum of money. Reward if returned to 134 Moore street.

SPECIAL NOTICES

WALL PAPERING—Painting—Rooms papered, $2.50. We will paper your room with up-to-date wall paper for $3.00. Painting, glazing, whitewashing, etc., at equally low prices. H. J. McCarthy, 629-641 Broadway.

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TENEMENT of 6 rooms to let, with steam heat. Apply 154 Smith st.

STEAM HEATED ROOM to let in private family in Highlands, near car lines, home privileges; gentleman preferred. Write P8, Sun Office.

NEW BUILDINGS to let; a 6-room cottage, modern tenement, two 5-room tenements with bath. Tel. 2072, or call at 85 Elmell st.

LARGE FRONT ROOM to let; furnished, electric lights, steam heat, use of bath and telephone. 136 Smith st. Tel. 2078.

COTTAGE to let at S L st. and 3-room flat at 151 Cushing st.

ROOMS for light housekeeping, to let, at 288 Pawtucket st.

FURNISHED ROOMS to let, steam heat, hot and cold water, lavatory in each room, bath and use of telephone, in private family. Inquire 273 High st.

LARGE CORNER STORE to let, at 802 Middlesex st.; rent reasonable. Apply by phone 5015.

FRONT ROOM to let; furnished, steam heat, bath, etc. Tel. 2189. 304 Westford st.

OFFICE—Large office, 31 by 14 feet on the second floor of the Harrington building, 52 Central st., good light and ventilation, for rent. Will be partitioned off to suit a desirable tenant; and will be rented or leased at a very reasonable rent. Apply to Building Manager, 401 Sun bldg.

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BILLERICA HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATED TODAY

With the new hall in the school filled to overflowing, the recently completed Howe high school building of Billerica was dedicated at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon when exercises appropriate for the occasion were held. There were present many pupils and parents who keenly enjoyed the literary and musical program that continued throughout the afternoon.

Featuring the program were addresses by Clarence D. Kingsley, agent of the state board of education, Hon. Payson Smith, LL.D., commissioner of education of the state of Massachusetts, J. Nelson Parker of Billerica, and Eugene C. Vining, superintendent of schools and principal of the Howe high school. The presentation of the keys to the town was made by Charles H. Eames, chairman of the building committee; Prescott L. Pasho, clerk of the board of selectmen and Dr. Maurice A. Buck, chairman of the school committee.

The program was as follows:

Overture, "Morning, Noon and Night," Orchestra
Invocation, Rev. J. Harold Dale
Address,
Some Opportunities Afforded by the Old Howe School,
J. Nelson Parker
President of the Trustees of the Howe School
"Introduction and Rondo," Duo for Clarinet and Flute,
Messrs. Bagley and Bissonnette
Address,
Some Opportunities Afforded by the New Howe High School
Clarence D. Kingsley
Serenades for Flute and Cello,
Messrs. Bissonnette and Ippolito
Presentation of Keys,
Charles H. Eames
Chairman of Building Committee
Prescott L. Pasho,
Clerk of Board of Selectmen,
Dr. Maurice A. Buck,
Chairman of School Committee
Address,
Education for Citizenship
Hon. Payson Smith, LL.D.
Commissioner of Education—Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Selections From the Musical Comedy "Katinka,"
Orchestra
"America,"
Benediction,
Rev. W. H. Doggett

The committees were as follows:

Building: Charles H. Eames, chairman; Thomas T. Clark, secretary; Dr. Maurice A. Buck, Burton O. Sanford and Nathaniel R. Jones.

School: Dr. Maurice A. Buck, chairman, Herbert B. Hosmer, secretary; J. Frederick Gannon.

Before and after the dedication the beautiful building was open to inspection.

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All settings; all sizes; all prices.
Lyle JEWELER LOWELL, MASS.

A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

In a recent article I referred to the Ladies' Night of the Catholic union, held quarter of a century ago, at which the attraction was the presentation of an original sketch with music, being mostly a merry satire on the male members of the Union, written as the old Sun said "By a member of the Catholic union."

A few days later I received a communication from a gentleman who attended the performance referred to, which read as follows:

"The Old Timer, Lowell Sun.

Dear Sir: I read with much enjoyment your account of the Ladies' Night held by the Catholic union in Mechanics hall 25 years ago, when the very cleverly written and faultlessly presented musical satire, "Mrs. Grundy's Pink Tea," was presented. There was one out about your story and I am at a loss to account for it as newspapermen are usually given to booming one another. You neglected to mention that the sketch was written and presented under the direction of John H. Harrington, who tried to hide his light under a bushel by keeping the name of the author off the program, but whose identity was discovered before the evening was over, and who was obliged to step before the footlights and acknowledge the plaudits of the delighted audience. If Mr. Harrington left his name off the program because he feared the criticism of the audience he was falsely alarmed for to use a slang expression "The show went big," and while quarter of a century has passed since he penned the little skit, I believe he could do it again if he would.

Respectfully yours,
Another Old Timer.

The reason I didn't mention the name of the author of the sketch was because it didn't appear in the old Sun, for all of us in this business are more or less inclined to modesty. Had I known it, however, well——I might have done otherwise.

Mr. Harrington wrote "Mrs. Grundy's Pink Tea" and selected the performers, all of whom were members of the union, of the fair sex, and possessed of unusual talent. The skit was a succession of rapid-fire dialogue aimed at the gentlemen of the organization, all of whom were present and had to take their medicine. Even at that early day Mr. Harrington had had considerable experience at writing—about people and things, and possessed a style that was original and charming—at times. The performers entered into the spirit of the affair and did full justice to all of the fine points made by the author. Of the several talented young misses who "conspired" with Mr. Harrington to make the affair the grand success that it was, two, I believe, have passed away since that time. One of them Miss Annie Lee, afterward Mrs. Maguire, who had the role of "Abigail Cornstalk," has since departed this life, but a charming daughter reflects her mother's amiability, talents and grace of manner. Miss Lilla Cook who possessed a sweet and finely cultivated soprano voice and who on that occasion was "Adelina Patti," one of the soloists, died only recently leaving behind a host of friends to mourn her loss. Of the others, "Mrs. Grundy," Miss Mary McLaughlin, is now Mrs. A. A. Cunningham; "Mrs. John Jacob Disaster," a society leader, was admirably presented by Miss Kittie Dempsey, now the wife of Col. James H. Carmichael and mother of a large and very promising family; "Georgianna Riddle, an elocutionist," was finely presented by Miss Mary Donnelly, who is happily married and is traveling with her husband. "Angelina Windmill" was the character assigned to Miss Alberta Lane, who is now Mrs. Edward F. Saunders, wife of our popular chief of the fire department. And of all that remain, the lady whom fate has taken farthest away from the scene of her early histrionic triumph was Miss Mary McGovern, now Mrs. Charles Hart, of Los Angeles, where her husband conducts a large hotel at which all Lowell people who have stopped there, have been treated with the height of hospitality. Mrs. Hart in "Mrs. Grundy's Pink Tea" portrayed the character of "Gwendoline Allgush," an expressive if not particularly attractive name for a lady. The character of "Nellie Sprite," a waiting maid, was capably taken by Miss Mary Nawn, now Mrs. Mary Devine. "Edith Newbud," just coming out, was Minnie Delaney, who made such a hit at her coming out with a male member of the audience, Mr. John A. O'Hearn, formerly in the clothing business in this city, that they were married a few years later. "Lillian Nordica," another operatic star, was portrayed to the manor born by Miss Nellie Murphy, now Mrs. Nellie McEvoy, who also is the mother of several bright and promising children. "Mandolina Pickering" was the character taken by Miss Nellie Lynch, now Mrs. Green, while that of "Bertha Rubinstein" was presented by Miss Kittie Keyes, now Mrs. Stephen J. Johnson. The role of "Clara Laberge Stratton" was well presented by Miss Alice Dempsey, now the wife of Dr. George Leahey.

If Mr. Harrington or anyone else should take it into his head one of these days to write a play of a juvenile nature, he would easily find sufficient talent among the children of the ladies above mentioned to present the offering.

THE OLD TIMER.

LITTLE SICKNESS AMONG FRENCH AT VERDUN

FORT VAUX, December.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—French soldiers have withstood the awful rigors and privations of the fighting during the wet fall in the sector around Verdun with notably little sickness. The army doctor in charge of a division told the Associated Press correspondent the number of sick in many of the battalions was as low as three or four per thousand.

Men in the front line are put to the trying experience of remaining for days at a time in the open crouching in shell-holes which have been joined together by stiff spade work. At this period of the year the frequent rains and wet mists drench them to the skin while the mud in which they lie soon changes their uniforms from light blue to a color which is indistinguishable from the field-gray of the Germans or the khaki of the British. At the same time, their food, which, of course, has to be eaten cold, is often spoilt by the foul water penetrating their haversacks, and their small supply of water or other drink, is often exhausted long before they are relieved.

MATRIMONIAL

Artemus B. Woodworth, Jr., of this city and Miss Isabella A. Ward, of Peabody were married last evening at the home of the bride's brother, Milburn P. Ward of 45 Warren street, Peabody, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Jason G. Miller of the South Congregational church. After an extended wedding trip the couple will make their home at 20 Belmont street, this city.

REMEDY FOR NEURASTHENIA

Neurasthenia is a condition of exhaustion of the nervous system. The causes are varied. Continuous work, mental or physical, without proper vacation periods, without proper attention to diet and exercise, also worry over the struggle for success, are the most common causes. Excesses of almost any kind may produce it. Some diseases, like the grip, will cause neurasthenia. So also will a severe shock, intense anxiety or grief.

The symptoms are oversensitiveness, irritability, a disposition to worry over trifles, headache, possibly nausea.

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FINE MINSTREL SHOW IN ASSOCIATE HALL

ENTERTAINMENT AND DANCE BY LOCAL NO. 745, I.A. of M. OF U. S. CARTRIDGE SHOP

The minstrel show and dance held last night in Associate hall, under the auspices of Local No. 745, I.A. of M. of the U. S. Cartridge Shop proved a success in every particular. The hall was crowded to the doors and the excellent program was worthy of the generous patronage. Each and every number



MARTIN H. MAGUIRE

of the entertainment was given in a highly artistic manner, and all performers were obliged to respond to encores.

The minstrel spectacle, given under the able direction of Martin H. Maguire, formerly of the Glendale quartet, assisted by Edward Rogers, proved one of the best minstrel entertainments ever given in Lowell. The stage setting, supervised by John Buey, added much to the success of the show, and all other details, which were in the hands of capable officers, were carried out in a praiseworthy manner.

When the curtain went up, the stage presented a most beautiful picture. The large troupe, all neatly attired, the numerous electrical effects and the artistic decorations, was a sight that brought forth tumultuous applause. When the applause had subsided, Denis J. Sullivan, who performed the duties of interlocutor most acceptably, stepped forward and announced that the first number of "A night with 745" would be a chorus by the entire company.

This was given with great volume and harmony and the excellent work was greatly appreciated by the audience. The following program was then carried out:

End song—Oh How She Could Yacki Hacki, Wicki, Wacki, Woo
Chas. Clancy
Solo—When I Met You
Edward Shaughnessey.
End song—Take Me To Alabam'
Chas. Mattison.
Solo—Selected ..... Martin McGuire
End song—Down Where the Swanee River Flows ..... Emmet Roberts
Solo—When the Patrician Shines Bright in the Moon ..... Fred Paquette
End song—When the Major Plays the Minor Melodies ..... Frank O'Brien
Solo—Selected ..... Edward Rogers
Grand finale ..... Entire company.

The members of the club: Bernard James, Bart Mullen, Arthur Bernard, William Blanchard, Charles Sheehan, Arthur Noel, William Donoghue, Joseph Carney, Edward Coutu, Douglass Smith, Charles Clancy, Frank Gorman, Edward Rogers, Fred Paquette, Edward McCarty, Charles Mattiser, Albert Kinnon, William Cooper, Martin McGuire, Frank O'Brien, Denis J. Sullivan, James Foley, Patrick Nevin, Emmet Roberts, A. Corcoran, Edward Shaughnessey, Frank Rogers, Charles Dumont, James Sullivan.

While all performers are entitled to great praise for their fine work, the singing of Messrs Maguire and Edward Rogers was the feature of the program. Mr. Maguire's sweet tenor voice was never better and his contribution to the program made a great hit with all. Mr. Rogers too was well received and returned to his seat amid the applause of the crowd.

Following the show, general dancing was enjoyed until midnight, with music furnished by Brodericks' orchestra.

The officers in charge of the affair were: General manager, Denis J. Sullivan; assistant, Patrick Owens; floor directors, Robert Dalton; assistant, Joseph Riley; chief aid, Patrick Nevin, aids, members of chorus. Reception committee, Cornelius J. Sullivan, chairman, John Cryan, Ben. J. Ingham, Patrick Farrell, John O'Dea, Chas. Grant, John McFarland, William Kinghorn.

MORE TROOPS COMING HOME

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 8.—A total of 5767 National Guard troops now engaged in border service, including a number of New York organizations at Pharr and McAllen, was yesterday designated by Gen. Funston to go home. He acted under orders from the war department to select between 5000 and 6000 troops for release.

Troops designated to leave the border include Massachusetts Ambulance company No. 1, El Paso.

PHENOMENAL GROWTH OF INDUSTRIAL CENTERS IN CONNECTICUT

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 8.—The phenomenal growth of large industrial centers in Connecticut, due largely to the importation of thousands of workers in great munition factories is indicated in the annual report of the state public utilities commission. During the past year the street railway companies alone carried twelve million more passengers than in 1915. The unusual amount of freight, passenger and express business found the transportation companies unprepared, the report says, with the result that the service was "much below the standard."

"There is reason for series apprehension pertaining to railroad transportation during the coming winter," the report continues. "The companies are still unprepared to handle satisfactorily a volume of business equal to that of the previous year, although to a limited extent they are better equipped."

During the year the public service companies under the commission's jurisdiction, including companies doing business without the state declared dividends of over $53,000,000, an increase for the year of over $6,000,000. The increasing number of accidents calls for a word of warning from the commission. During the year 49 more fatalities and 279 more accidents than in the previous year were reported. Total fatalities were 210 and total accidents 5616.

The commission urges a state law requiring the installation of standard advance signs on the line of highways, 300 feet from railroad grade crossings. Only three grade crossings were eliminated during the year. This number was less than required by law, but the eliminations were not ordered because the financial condition of the companies did not warrant such an order.

HOLLAND AND GERMANY IN AGREEMENT

LONDON, Dec. 8. — An Amsterdam despatch to the Times says that the Berlin Vossische Zeitung announces that an agreement has been reached between Holland and Germany regarding the exportation of foodstuffs identical to that existing between Holland and England. The Amsterdam correspondent of the Vossische Zeitung says it is really, if not technically, an agreement between Germany and England whereby both may obtain food from Holland.

The Times correspondent interprets this as meaning that Dutch ships carrying food to England will not be molested by German submarines or seized by destroyers. He adds: "It is part of a wide agreement," and also says that the understanding with Holland provides for the payment of foodstuffs by German treasury notes and bank assignats.

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ASQUITH URGES ALL TO SUPPORT THE NEW GOVERNMENT

LONDON, Dec. 8, 11:48 a. m.—The Manchester Guardian says the report that Premier Lloyd George will attempt an immediate solution of the Irish question by means of an imperial conference is not untimely.

ASQUITH PLEDGES SUPPORT

LONDON, Dec. 8.—At a meeting of liberals today it was stated that A. J. Balfour would be foreign secretary in the new cabinet and that Lord Robert Cecil would remain parliamentary under-secretary for foreign affairs.

Confidence in Asquith

The Reform club today passed a resolution expressing confidence in Mr. Asquith and also the determination of the organization to support the new government in whatever steps it may take to prosecute the war vigorously.

A prominent liberal who attended the Reform club meeting said:

"We are going to give whole-hearted support to the new government. Mr. Asquith, our leader, advised that."

A small party of suffragets lent variety to the arrival of the liberals at the Reform club. The women greeted the earlier arrivals with the cry, "Another, wait and see."

Denounce Asquith

The suffragets became more aggressive when Mr. Asquith drove up and, upon being forced into the roadway by the police, they contented themselves with cries of "traitor" and other abusive terms. Lord Haldane was greeted with "Kaiser Haldone."

Suffragists Driven Out

When Viscount Grey arrived the suffragists created such a disturbance that the police had to escort him into the club.

All the prominent liberals in the house of commons and the house of lords attended the meeting and gave ex-Premier Asquith and his colleagues a hearty reception.

The disturbance outside the Reform club was caused by women who belong to the section of the Women's Social and Political union, which has been protesting against the alleged failure of the entente diplomacy in the Balkans and complaining of other shortcomings on the part of the late government.

Mr. Asquith was the only speaker at the meeting. He said his colleagues had acted according to their own dictates. In no way were they persuaded by the action he had taken in resigning. He emphasized the necessity and importance of giving strenuous adhesion to whatever government was in power for the purpose of bringing about what all desired—the winning of the war.

OPPOSED TO BALFOUR

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The Evening News, one of the strongest supporters of Premier Lloyd George, publishes prominently a protest against the suggestion that A. J. Balfour be appointed foreign secretary and Lord Robert Cecil retained as parliamentary under-secretary for foreign affairs. It says:

"The great enthusiasm with which the formation of a new government is received everywhere is dampened for the moment by the persistent rumors, on apparently good authority, that Mr. Balfour is to go to the foreign office with Lord Robert Cecil. Lord Robert's record in the foreign office is well known. It would be nothing short of disastrous if the man who persistently adopted a policy leading to the weakening of our blockade and the consequent feeding of the Germans should again be placed in command."

FRENCH BATTLESHIP WITH 700 MEN ON BOARD LOST

PARIS, Dec. 8, 2 p. m.—The battleship Suffren which left port on Nov. 24, has not been heard from since and the minister of marine considers the vessel lost with all on board.

The Suffren sailed for Lorient, a French naval station in Brittany.

The French battleship Suffren displaced 12,750 tons. Her normal complement was 730 men. She was 410 feet long and 70 feet of beam, and was laid down in 1899. She was armed with four 12-inch; ten 6.4-inch and eight 4-inch guns, twenty-two 3-pounders and four torpedo tubes.

Last year the Suffren took part in the bombardment of the Turkish forts at the Dardanelles. She entered the straits to attack Turkish batteries, and, according to an official Turkish announcement, was damaged seriously and withdrew in flames. She was sent back to Toulon for repairs.

LINER CALEDONIA SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 8, 4:20 p. m. The Anchor line steamship Caledonia of 8223 tons gross, is believed to have been sunk, says an announcement made today at Lloyd shipping agency.

The steamship Caledonia has for some time been in the service of the British government. The vessel was built at Glasgow in 1904.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The Caledonia was formerly in the passenger service between New York and Glasgow, one of the crack ships of the Anchor line fleet. The local offices of the line said today that they had heard nothing of the vessel since she was commandeered for government service in August, 1914. They had no word of her destruction other than that contained in press despatches. The ship is registered as commanded by Capt. Blaikie.

MORE SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Lloyds shipping agency announces that the Belgian steamer Kelzer and the Norwegian steamer Meteor have been reported sunk and their crews landed.

The Belgian steamer Kelzer is not listed in available records. The Norwegian steamer Meteor was last reported leaving Philadelphia Nov. 24, for London.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE HELD AT STATE NORMAL SCHOOL TODAY

A very important conference of school superintendents and members of school boards from Lowell and the towns about Lowell was held today from 10 a. m. until 3:30 p. m. at the state Normal school, under the direction of Francis G. Wadsworth, agent of the state board of education. The purpose of the conference was to put before those present the approved procedure in school administration: to establish uniform practices throughout the commonwealth in the conduct of school business, and to define the powers of the several administrative officers in a public school system. The three main topics discussed were: "Powers and Duties of School Committees," "Improvement of School Su-

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NEW NOTE TO GERMANY ON U-BOAT SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—A new note to Germany on the general submarine situation appears to be among the possibilities which may come out of the latest activities of the under-sea boats.

If decided upon, such a note would be for the purpose of clearing up what appear to be differences of interpretation in Washington and Berlin as to what Germany's pledges in the Sussex case covered, especially as to armed ships.

Secretary Lansing said today no final course of action had been agreed upon.

Although the state department has been going on the principle of deciding each case separately on its merits, it was said today that the number of cases had reached such proportions that some general action would be justified although it was made clear that nothing had been determined upon.

Status of Arabia

The day's developments in the situation were:

The United States asked Great Britain for information to determine the status of the P. & O. liner Arabia, which a German submarine commander took for an armed transport.

Marina Not Transport

Official information coming to the state department established that the British ship Marina, torpedoed with a loss of six Americans was in no sense a transport and was entitled to the immunities of a peaceful merchantman.

In both cases Germany has expressed a willingness to offer amends if her pledges were broken.

U. S. Stands Firm

It was reiterated again today that the United States stands squarely on the position it took in the Sussex case. This, combined with Germany's statement that she, too, holds to the pledges she gave in that case, leads officials to declare there seems to be some difference in interpretation.

A new note, if it should be decided to send one, would be to clear this up and make plain beyond question that the United States expects all merchant ships under international law shall not be destroyed without warning or having crews and passengers removed to places of safety.

Sinking of Palermo

Affidavits on the sinking without warning of the Italian liner Palermo, on which state department records show there were 23 Americans, are being collected as rapidly as possible. As yet there are no indications that any American lives were lost, but from information at hand, the case seems to parallel closely the Arabia and the Marina.

MARINA A MERCHANTMAN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Official information to the state department establishes that the British ship Marina, sunk by a German submarine with loss of six Americans, was in no sense a transport and was entitled to the immunities of a peaceful merchantman. Germany has announced her willingness to offer amends for the destruction in such a case.

INFORMATION ON ARABIA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Great Britain has been asked by the state department for information of the status of the Peninsular & Oriental liner Arabia, sunk by a German submarine without warning. Germany in a note yesterday, cites circumstances which she contends justified the submarine commander in taking the Arabia for an armed transport.

The state department's information to date is that the ship was a passenger carrying liner not subject to attack without warning.

The next steps in the situation, admittedly most serious since the Sussex case, will not be taken until all the information has been gathered.

PRETTIEST GIRL IN TOWN

Mayor James E. O'Donnell is now confronted with one of the most difficult tasks that he has been asked to consider since the beginning of his administration. This morning he received a letter requesting him to apoint a girl to represent Lowell at the Patriotic bazaar to be held in New York city this month. From girls representing cities and towns in all parts of the country the prettiest and most popular will be selected to represent "Miss Preparedness."

Mayor O'Donnell when questioned said that he would not attempt to choose the prettiest girl in Lowell. There are too many beautiful girls in Lowell to make any effort to attempt such a selection, he said, and he was afraid that if this city is represented at the bazaar somebody else will have to do the picking. As a judge at a masquerade party this week Mayor O'Donnell, with others, chose the prettiest girl present but found that a difficult proposition.

The letter received is printed here and anyone desiring to enter the contest should call upon the mayor:

December 7th, 1916.

Hon. James E. O'Donnell,
Mayor, Lowell, Mass.

Sir: The prettiest and most popular girl in the United States is desired to represent "Miss Preparedness," rivaling "Miss Columbia," in patriotic fame.

You should appoint a representative from your city, as others are doing.

Each young lady selected in the various cities and towns to be in attendance daily at the bazaar where the final selection will be made and her picture and biography will be published throughout the country on Sunday, December 24th.

This is offered with no expense except cost of your winner and chaperone in New York during the bazaar period.

Contestants will not be "on exhibition" but will be asked to sell goods and chances at a "Miss Preparedness" booth, each wearing a sash bearing the name of her city.

Very truly yours,
A. D. V. Story, Executive Secretary.

Pawtucket School

Work on the $80,000 addition to the Pawtucket school is progressing rapidly according to Commissioner James E. Donnelly. The construction has now reached the first floor and indications are that the job will be completed as soon as was expected. Two coal pockets have been completed and the work of installing the new boilers has been started. The addition will consist of 10 rooms.

Tax Income Assessor

Joseph E. Perry of Belmont, tax income assessor for Middlesex district, was a visitor to Lowell this forenoon and called upon the newly appointed deputy, J. Henry Gilbride, at the assessor's office. Arrangements for the beginning of the work were made.

Would-Be Chauffeurs

Twenty-three candidates for chauffeur's licenses were examined in this city today. The examiners were Messrs. Haldie and Leary of the highway commission.

RUSSIANS TAKE OFFENSIVE IN CARPATHIANS

PETROGRAD, Dec. 8, via London, 4:51 p. m.—The Russians have taken the offensive in the wooded Carpathian district, and a battle is in progress there the war office announced today.

EXCITED BREAK IN THE COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The most rapid and excited break of the season occurred in the cotton market here today under heavy general liquidation. It appeared that ginning returns to Dec. 1 had caused a revision of minimum crop views, while weakness in Liverpool and the unsettled ruling of other markets served to stimulate the selling movement. May contracts were off to 15.34, or more than $5 a bale under last night's closing figures and about $11 a bale under the recent high record.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 8.—A violent break of more than $5 a bale, one of the widest declines ever recorded in a single session in this market, resulted in cotton today from liquidation and short selling following the census bureau report on cotton ginned to Dec. 1.

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NOTICE

There will be Special Meeting this evening at 8 o'clock, to take action on the death of our deceased brother, Charles H. Molloy.
John F. McInerney, President
William Nelson, Fin. Sec.

NORWEGIAN STEAMER ATTACKED BY U-BOAT

TWO MEMBERS OF CREW KILLED BUT VESSEL ESCAPED UNDAMAGED

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The Norwegian steamer Caloric on her voyage from the United States to Scandinavian ports was fired upon by a German submarine and two members of her crew were killed, says a despatch from Copenhagen to the Exchange Telegraph Co. The Caloric escaped undamaged.

GERMAN STATEMENT ON TRANSFER OF BELGIANS

BERLIN, Dec. 7, via London, Dec. 8. The German government issued a statement in explanation and justification of the transfer of Belgian laborers to Germany. It says the measure is by no means a hardship for the laborers but is a social necessity.

Owing chiefly to the British embargo against Belgium's oversea trade which before the war supported a large part of the industrial population, large numbers of Belgian workers are idle, the statement says, and conditions are growing worse. Many families, after spending all their savings have become objects of public charity. This state of things is not due, as asserted in Belgium to German requisitions of raw material, it is explained, for these requisitions occurred as a rule only where factories were unable to continue operations.

Of 1,200,000 employes engaged in Belgian industries before the war, 505,000, including 158,000 women, are now wholly without work, and 150,000 including 16,000 women are partly without work, making a total of 655,000 persons dependent on public aid. In addition to these there are 293,000 wives and 612,000 children of men without work so that 1,560,000 persons, or one-fifth of the total Belgian population, require assistance.

More than 300,000,000 francs already have been spent in supporting these persons and 20,000,000 francs monthly will be required henceforth. These masses of idle people, the statement says, are degenerating and drunkenness and social depravity are resulting.

The German governor-general, Gen. von Bissing, early recognized the necessity of taking measures to help the idle to obtain employment. He caused municipalities to undertake public works to create employment, where this was possible without imposing too great financial burdens. Upon the suggestion of Belgians of practical insight the general issued an ordinance in August of 1915 against persons unwilling to work, which was made more stringent last March. These ordinances provide for compulsory transfer of workmen only when idle persons refused to accept work at reasonable pay without adequate reasons, the provisions of international law protecting them against working on war material being recognized as adequate ground. The ordinances were directed chiefly against organized influences aiming to prevent laborers from accepting work voluntarily only because it was offered by Germans. Nevertheless tens of thousands voluntarily accepted work in Germany at profitable wages.

BRISK GRASS FIRE

A telephone alarm at 11:17 this morning summoned a portion of the fire department to a brisk grass fire in a field near the Washington school in the Highlands district. Engine 2 responded and extinguished the blaze before any damage was done.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

HOTEL NAPOLI
Friend St., Boston
Table D'Hote Lunch, 11 to 3........50c
Table D'Hote Dinner, 5 to 9........75c
Daily Combinations..............45c
Signor Palladino's Orchestra
Open Till Midnight

GOT AWAY WITH BIG ROLL FROM CAMP

A report was widely circulated in this city today that a young man whose identity is said to be known succeeded in escaping from a camp along the banks of the Merrimack river in Methuen, not far from Stanley's, at a late hour last night with between $300 and $400 that had been left on a table. The local police had not been notified of the alleged theft at noon, it was said.

The facts concerning the larceny were not given out. It is said that the young man suspected had been in the camp and noticed the money near an open window. He is said to have gone out, reached through the window and then escaped with the roll. Telephones and automobiles were put into use in an attempt to overtake the suspect, but all efforts were futile. The search, it is asserted, continued all night and extended to Boston and other cities but the money was still missing this afternoon.

MADISON SQ. GARDEN SOLD FOR $2,000,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Madison Square Garden, New York's famous amusement amphitheatre, was purchased today for $2,000,000 in a foreclosure sale, by the New York Life Insurance Co., which was the only bidder. The company was the plaintiff in the foreclosure proceedings.

CENTRAL POWERS OFFER SERVICES TO GREECE

LONDON, Dec. 8, 2 p. m.—A despatch from Switzerland as forwarded from Rome to the Wireless Press says Germany and Austria have offered their services to Greece in opening land communications if Greece declares war on the entente.

AMERICAN SHIP SUNK IN MEDITERRANEAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—It was reported in marine circles today, that the American ship Virginia has been sunk in the Mediterranean. Efforts to trace the report did not meet with confirmation, the owners, Gaston, Williams & Wigmore, questioning its authenticity.

The Virginia sailed from New York on Nov. 21 for Spezia, Italy, where she arrived on Dec. 1, later leaving for Genoa.

HELD WITHOUT BAIL ON MURDER CHARGE

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 8.—Bernard Earley, a cotton mill operative, was held without bail on a charge of murdering his wife, Mrs. Ellen Earley, by the grand grand jury which meets in January. Medical Referee Benjamin G. Moran and Police Inspector James Mulvanity testified that Earley's clothing was blood stained when he was arrested on Monday, a few hours after the discovery of his wife's body, with the throat cut.

A motion by counsel for Earley that he be discharged on the ground that no evidence connecting him with his wife's death had been introduced but was overruled.

TWO SUITS AGAINST RILEY ESTATE

Two suits, both actions of contract, brought by Patrick Mulligan of Lawrence and John Kettell of Lowell, against the estate of P. J. Riley, were tried jointly before a jury in the local session of superior court today. Daniel J. Donahue appeared for the plaintiffs and the Riley estate was represented by James C. Reilly.

Both of the plaintiffs formerly worked for P. J. Riley and Mr. Kettell is now employed by the estate. Mr. Kettell, who is a brother of Mrs. Riley, started to work for the late P. J. Riley in 1905. He was to receive $20 per week, he said, but Mr. Riley told him that he was short of money and asked him to wait for his pay. Witness said that he has struggled along over the period beginning in 1907, on about two dollars per week. He lived at the Riley home. Kettell alleges that the Riley estate owes him $1585 for 312 weeks' work, beginning on October 16, 1907, and ending in October, 1913.

Mr. Mulligan seeks to recover in the sum of $1105 for wages and money alleged to have been loaned Mr. Riley. This plaintiff, who is a cousin of Mrs. Riley, claims that the Riley estate owes him $200 for 25 weeks' pay at $12 a week and $1105 for money loaned between November, 1910 and August, 1913.

The jury reported in both cases shortly before noon and found for the plaintiffs, awarding the full claims with interest. The verdict in Mr. Kettell's case was $1918.37 and in Mr. Mulligan's $1582.08.

RUSHING BUSINESS AT MUNICIPAL MARKET

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 8.—The municipal market established here by Mayor Benjamin Bosse to fight the high cost of food, did a rushing business today with prices from one-fourth to one-third less than asked by retailers. Mayor Bosse has been buying vegetables and supplies in carload lots wherever he can obtain them. He also has bought and sold coal cheaper than the coal dealers here. Twenty dressed hogs will be placed on sale tomorrow at 12½ cents a pound. Rabbits have been selling rapidly at 15 cents.

DRINK CAUSE OF THEIR TROUBLE

Levi Gagnon and Michael F. O'Hare were each sentenced to four months in the house of correction at East Cambridge this morning by Judge Enright after he found them guilty of the larceny of a raincoat valued at $12, a bag $3, and a can of soup which sells for ten cents, from Belle Watson.

Gagnon and O'Hare have been drinking heavily of late and yesterday they went to 32 John street to visit one Sam Paul. Several bottles of whisky were emptied by the trio and

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REQUEST MAYOR OF BIDDEFORD TO RESIGN

BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 8.—Mayor Leopold A. Girard was today served with a written request to resign as mayor by the democratic city committee. He took the matter under advisement. The action of the committee is due to serious school troubles in the city, the mayor being ex-officio chairman of the board of education.

WHAT IS
LOWELL
DOING
Toward Relief of War Sufferers in Allied Countries?
Are We Doing Our Part In
NATIONAL ALLIED BAZAAR
Mechanics Building, Boston,
December 9 to 20
Otto Hockmeyer,
George S. Motley
Committee.

BALFOUX'S
ON THE SQUARE
HAT HAT HAT
And there's something to that! The importance of a hat in the affairs of men has increased with a rapidity that put the high cost of living to shame. It's rather a peculiar style year in hats. Your old one can almost pass as stylish, but you'd better keep it dark or someone will find you out. To be really in style, let us crown your winter get-up with a hat. P. S.—How about a hat for a Christmas gift.

WE HAVE MOVED TO OUR NEW STORE
It is larger, brighter and better equipped for your optical needs.
Only Two Days More, Friday and Saturday, of Our Special Reduction Sale of 20 per cent. on All New Work.
Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Labelle
Optometrists and Manufacturing Opticians
120 MERRIMACK STREET
Opposite Pollard's—Ground Floor

HIGHLAND M. E. CHURCH BURNS MORTGAGE

One of the most joyful events in the history of the Highland M. E. church was the burning of the mortgage note last evening, which wiped out every cent of indebtedness. Besides a large number of parishioners, there were present Rev. George B. Dean, D.D., the district superintendent, Rev. William H. McLean, former pastor, and other clergymen.

Prior to the service Miss Lillian [illegible] gave an organ recital which [illegible]. The exercises were strictly religious and consisted of speaking by several ministers.

Rev. Henry L. Bailey, the present pastor, welcomed the congregation and introduced the speakers. He was followed by Rev. E. W. Pratt, of the Worthen street church who congratulated the pastor and members and expressed [illegible] of the church.

[illegible] McLean, the former pastor, was the principal speaker. His word was "Looking Backward." He [illegible] had considerable difficulty in [illegible] a text, as he could not find anywhere in the bible an idea that justifies looking backward. Everything that God says in His revealed word, is looking onward and upward and forward. In the Boston public library the only book that he could find on looking backward was Bellamy's, and that is simply looking backward into the future. Finally, in the prophet Isaiah, the words "Look unto the rock whence ye are hewn," and these words seemed applicable to the past and present history of the church. He reminisced in a manner most pleasing to the people of the church, recalling the history of the struggle to pay off the indebtedness and giving to the present pastor the credit of the success of the plan which was formulated during the speaker's pastorate. Mr. Bailey, he said, closed the deal, and to him belongs the honor. He urged the people not to face, as a church, a struggle of ease and worldliness, but to engage in a spiritual struggle for the saving of souls. He said he hoped that in 10 years they would be trying to raise another debt, on a big [illegible] church.

Rev. George B. Dean, the district superintendent, had for his topic "Looking Forward." He said that what we are 10 years hence depends on what we plan for now, and if the right kind of foundation is laid and the right kind of process begun, the big stone church will come [illegible] as sure as the sun will rise and set in the sky. He said there are three kinds of people in the churches: first, the parasites, those who go to get what they can. Second, there are the pushers, who help by getting into the game with the minister and pushing him along to it. The third class are the power givers, who allow the minister to go places and get behind him and help him by stimulating him.

The burning of the mortgage note was the impressive part of the service and was executed by Messrs. Wilder and Worten, two of the [illegible] men of the church. One held the platter on which the note rested while the other applied the match and [illegible] of the church debt was being burned and the congregation sang "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Following the service a social hour was enjoyed in the vestry and refreshments were served.

Rev. A. C. Skinner of St. Paul's church extended congratulations and spoke briefly on the success of the church.

OLD LADIES' HOME

The regular monthly meeting of the patrons of the Old Ladies' home was held at the home in Fletcher street yesterday afternoon and it was voted to fill the vacancies at the home at once. Mrs. Mira Jefferson was chosen chairman of the board and Mrs. Arthur Wright, secretary. Sixteen new patrons were chosen. The reports of the various officers were submitted and approved.

MISSING WOMAN FOUND

NASHUA, N. H., Dec. 8.—Search by Nashua police and a posse from the nearby town of Hollis for Mrs. Samuel Hayden, aged 80 years, who disappeared from her home in Hollis Wednesday night, ended yesterday when the woman was found at the home of a relative.

Wednesday night, which was bitterly cold, she spent in an abandoned farmhouse, and then walked five miles to the house in which she was found.

JEWELRY DEPARTMENT

Solid Gold Pendants with 15 inch solid gold soldered link-chain, Pendant set with rubies, sapphires, emerald, some with pearl drop. Prettily boxed for Christmas; value $1.50, for ..$1.00

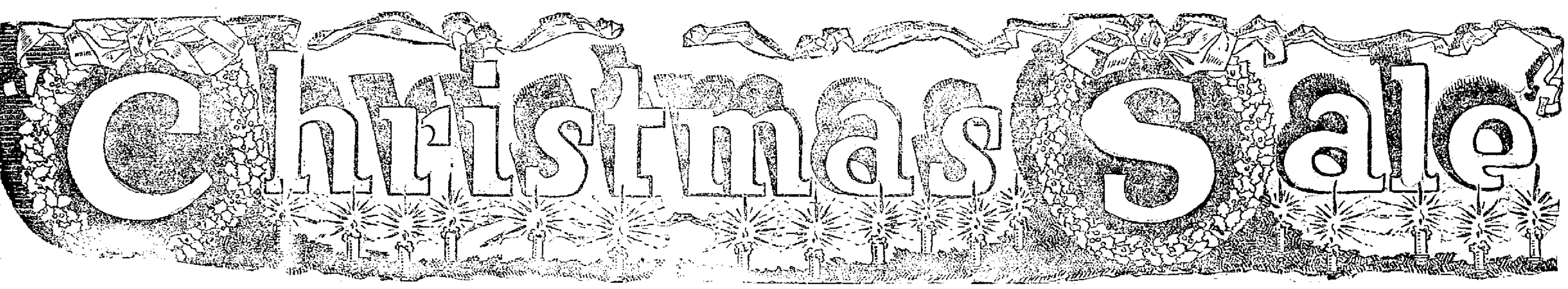
Gold Filled Bracelet Watches, guaranteed full jeweled, very appropriate Christmas gift. Put up in neat box. Special for $5.99

The Bon Marche
DRY GOODS CO.



Only Thirteen More Shopping Days Before Christmas

SHOP EARLY



BRASSIERES AND BANDEAUX
ARE VERY ACCEPTABLE GIFTS

Complete line of fancy Brassieres and Bandeaux, in crepe de chine, lace and hamburg, in flesh pink and white. Prices

50c to $2.00

Every Department in Our Store is Ready for Our Great Christmas Sale

After weeks of intelligent, painstaking preparations for the holiday trade, we announce "Ready" with the finest, fullest stock of seasonable merchandise and beautiful and serviceable gift-things ever brought to Lowell. Prices are the lowest consistent with reliability.



Christmas Specials in Undermuslins

Envelope Chemise [illegible] 79c, 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98

Corset Covers [illegible] 25c, 29c, 49c, 50c

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF CREPE DE CHINE UNDERGARMENTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Chemise at ......$1.98, $2.98, $3.98 and $4.98
Camisoles, in [illegible] 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98
Gowns 79c, 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98, $3.98

Gowns at $3.98, $4.98, $5.98, $6.98, $7.98, $8.98
Skirts at [illegible] $3.50, $4.98, $5.98
Combinations [illegible] 98c, $1.49, $1.98 and $2.98

A Pair of Slippers

A gift that [illegible] and gives much [illegible]

Men's [illegible] $1.25 to $2.00
[illegible] $2.00
[illegible] $1.49
[illegible] $2.25 to $3.00
Women's [illegible] 59c
[illegible] $1.50
[illegible] $1.25 to $1.49
[illegible] $1.49 to $2.50
[illegible] 49c to 75c



Beautiful Christmas Waists

Hundreds and hundreds of the most beautiful Waists are here ready for your selection. Lowell's leading Waist Department contains the newest creations. Special in Holiday Boxes.

WAISTS AT $1.98 | WAISTS AT $2.98 | WAISTS AT $4.98

OTHERS IN THE LARGEST COLLECTION AT 98c, $3.98, $5.98, $6.98, $7.98, $9.98, $12.98 UP TO $25.00

[illegible] beautiful lace, stripes, Jap silk, Georgette, [illegible] newest creations are all here.

Kid Gloves



There is hardly a gift list which does not include Gloves. Our assortment is bigger and better than at any previous season. Come here for the best styles, best makes, best qualities and best values.

Washable Kid Gloves—Gauntlet style, in white, ivory, canary; wash perfectly....$2.50

White Kid Gloves [illegible] black embroidery. $1.75, $2.00

Washable Kid Gloves [illegible] pearl, ivory, canary, Newport, putty and tan, guaranteed washable. $1.25, $1.75, $2.00

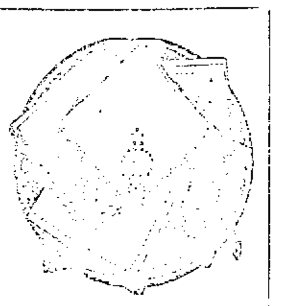
Black Kid Gloves [illegible] $1.75, $2.00, $2.25

Lambskin Gloves [illegible] $1.25

Trefousse Real Kid Gloves [illegible] $2.00

1 Clasp Mocha Gloves [illegible] $1.25, $1.75

Handkerchiefs Holiday



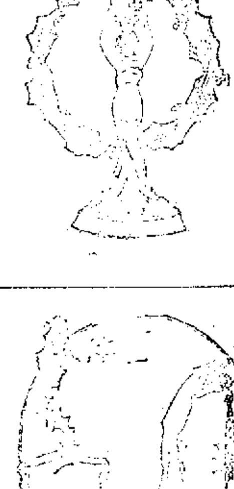
Handkerchiefs will appear several times on your list—no other one article has more popularity as a gift. We offer an immense stock and excellent values. See them by all means.

[illegible] 10
[illegible] 12½c Each, 75c a Box of 6
[illegible] 15c, 35c a Box of 3
[illegible] $1.00
[illegible] 12½c Each
[illegible] 25c, 50c, $1.00
[illegible] 15c Each
[illegible] 25c to $1.00
[illegible] 25c, 6 in a Box [illegible]
[illegible] 15c and 25c a Box of 3
[illegible] 50

Desirable Gifts From Our Kitchen Furnishing Department

At moderate cost you may choose [illegible] as well as serviceable wares from this large stock.

$2.00 Value Cut Glass [illegible] $1.49
[illegible] $1.49
[illegible] $14.98
Fancy China and Bric-a-Brac on Tables [illegible] 98c and $1.98
[illegible]
$7.50 Silver Plated Tea Set $5.98—[illegible] $5.98



Other values to $19.98

$6.50 to $7.50 Tea Table Lamps $5.00—All new patterns, in latest antique finish, complete with tubing, burner, etc. Special at $5.00

Other values to $25.00

Utility Electric Fittings—Converts a gas lamp into an electric lamp. Complete set $1.75

$2.00 Stag Handled Carving Sets $1.69—Made of finest oil tempered steel, with stag handles, absolutely guaranteed. Special price $1.69

Other values to $9.98

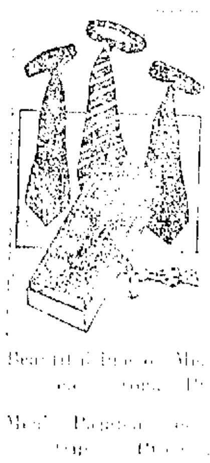


Women's Hosiery

Beautiful Silk Hosiery, in black and in the newest shades. We carry only the most reliable makes, including the celebrated Phoenix Guaranteed Silk Hose. Price

$1.00 to $3.00 a Pair

Fibre Silk Hose...50c Pair



Men's Furnishings

The greatest collection of Scarfs [illegible] $1.00 to $7.98 Each

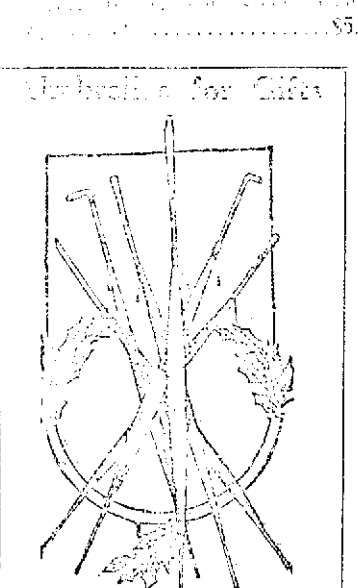
[illegible] Men's Shirts [illegible] $1.00 to $5.00

Beautiful line of Men's Neckwear [illegible] 50c to $1.00

Men's Pajamas [illegible] $1.15 to $2.50 Suit

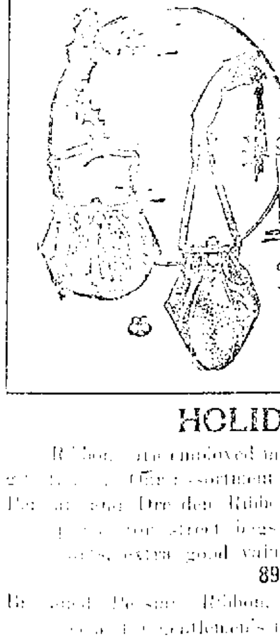
Hosiery for Men [illegible] 25c to $1.00 Pair

Umbrellas for Gifts



[illegible] Of course you're [illegible] and it is certain you will find [illegible] We carry only the best and [illegible] qualities. [illegible] $1.25 to $5.98

Children's Umbrellas, 75c to $1.50



Leather Goods

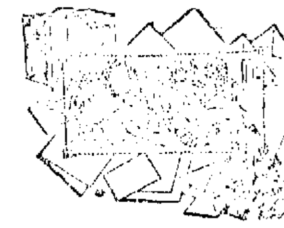
Bags, Purses, Card Cases, etc. Complete line including many distinct novelties. You needn't go further than our leather goods department to find a good gift for almost anyone. Prices from

50c to $15

STATIONERY

Here's a good gift. Stationery in a pretty decorated Holiday Box. A splendid new stock to choose from.

25c to $2.98 ea.



HOLIDAY RIBBONS

Ribbons are employed in hundreds of ways in making many dainty gifts. Our assortment includes all the very latest novelties.

[illegible] Dresden Ribbon, 11 inches wide, [illegible] for street bags and pillows and [illegible], extra good value at 89c to $5.98 a Yard

[illegible] Persian Ribbon, 5½ inches wide, [illegible] gentlemen's neckties, extra good value at ....59c a Yard

The New Fancy Ribbon, 9 inches wide, special for fancy bags, dress trimmings and millinery ....89c and 98c a Yard

[illegible] Ribbon, 6 inches wide, in all new combinations, special for fancy bags and hairbows, and the new boudoir trays. 49c, 59c, 69c Yard



Another High Priced Tailor Sells Out to Me



Through the receiver, JUDGE CAVAN of Haverhill, I purchased for cash, the entire stock and fixtures of M. T. CALLAN, tailor, who for some time occupied a commodious street store at 38 Main Street, Haverhill, Mass., where he catered to the best trade in that city.

This stock embraces goods purchased from such well known commission houses as **BLAKE & STEARNS, T. W. TALCOTT, FRIEZE CO.,** and **STRONG HEWITT CO.** These firms sell mostly confined styles. The term confined style is applied to any exclusive patterns sold only to one tailor in each section and represents anywhere from $25.00 to $40.00 in suit value.

Explaining the chain of circumstances that has thrown this stock into my hands is but to relate a situation common in the high priced tailoring trade today. Let the average man realize the hardships met by the tailor with a limited capital or a backward season—let him realize how the small tailor actually overloads himself with goods in trying to be proteced against the steady increase in woolen prices, and there you have the reason why **MITCHELL** and his ready cash has become the court of final resort for so many embarrassed tailors in the past number of years.

It is unnecessary for me to exaggerate for advertising purposes—every ticket shows the former selling price—nothing less than $20.00, some as high as $38.00, and the goods by their appearance will set at rest any doubts you may have. Owning this stock as I do, from woolens to buttons, and coming to the two dullest months in the Tailor's year, January and February, I cannot hold it in reserve. It must be closed out at once. I will place it on sale today at a price—$12.50 for a Suit or Overcoat to order.

Entire Stock and Trimmings of M. T. Callan, Haverhill, Mass. Former Prices $20 to $35, My Price for Quick Disposal

Suit or Overcoat to Order

$12.50

MITCHELL, The Tailor

31 Merrimack Square

LOWELL, MASS.

Open Evenings Till 9

HOW TO REDUCE COST OF LIVING

Sec. Houston of Dept. of Agriculture Makes Recommendations

Wants Increased Production and Better Distribution of Food

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Efforts to reduce the cost of living through increased production and better distribution of the country's foods are detailed in the annual report of Secretary Houston, of the department of agriculture, made public yesterday. The report also devotes considerable attention to the pure food law and urges on congress the need of strengthening it to permit standardization of foods and drugs and inspection of foods and drugs factories.

Records of the department, the report sets forth, show that except for meat and dairy products the per capita production of the leading food commodities in the United States has remained about the same despite the rapid growth of population. Statistics presented cover a period of 16 years. The population has increased in that time 33 per cent. There is ground for optimism, the report says, as to the ability of the nation not only to supply itself with food but increasingly to meet the needs of the world.

One of the principal aims of the department has been to increase meat production. The report shows a steady growth since 1913 in the output of beef and an advance in the number of swine every year since 1890. More extensive sheep raising is recommended as a source of food. It is pointed out that only one farm in seven in the United States now supports sheep. Fifty million sheep, it is said, could be added to the country's flocks.

Stabilizing of production is recommended as one of the greatest agricultural needs in producing food crops sufficient to meet demands. This can be accomplished best, the report points out, through better adapted or improved crop varieties, more systematic and rational crop rotation and improved agricultural practice generally. In many parts of the country more attention to livestock production is essential to enduring and economical agriculture, the report declares.

It is highly desirable, it is pointed out, that areas for production of staple crops be broadened as far as experience and sound economics may warrant. In this respect the report dwells on the importance of controlling plant diseases and insect pests.

Marketing of farm products, rural finances and rural organization, the report says, have received close attention from the department in the last three years. A four year program developed in 1913 has been in a large measure carried out.

Improved marketing of livestock and meats has been sought by the department as a means of cheapening these products. Already, the report says, "arrangements have been made with 55 stockyard companies to secure monthly reports of livestock receipts and shipments. A uniform system of marketing records has been established at the instance of the department by a number of yards. Methods and costs of marketing livestocks and meats were investigated. A preliminary investigation of the sources, accuracy and use of market reports on livestock and meats has been made. The results of this study have been utilized in development of plans for the organization of a demonstration market news service for livestock similar to that now conducted for perishable crops"

Other efforts at better distribution methods are described as follows:

"Surveys have been made of the marketing facilities for agricultural products in nine cities and advice has been given regarding the location, establishment and management of municipal retail and wholesale public markets. Detailed studies also have been made of conditions in other cities. Investigation concerning methods of handling and grading perishable products and the practicability of standardization of the products and their containers have progressed rapidly.

"The issuance of monthly cold storage reports on apples has been continued, the work has been extended to include butter, eggs and cheese. These reports show the cold storage holdings throughout the country and include a comparison of the holdings of the current year with those of the previous year. In co-operation with carriers, extensive investigations of the economic waste of foodstuffs in transit have been conducted. The object of these investigations is to secure better co-operation between shippers and carriers and greater efficiency in methods of handling, with a view to eliminate, or at least greatly to reduce, the present waste.

"Well-tested systems of accounts and records for primary grain elevators, for livestock shipping associations, and for co-operative stores have been issued. Systems for country creameries and cotton warehouses have been devised and are being tested under commercial conditions. Sections perfected by the department for farmers' co-operative elevators and for fruit and produce associations already are in extensive use. A plan for adapting farmers' grain-elevator companies to the patronage dividend basis has been worked out and published."

Meat production has been increased, according to the report, largely through checking of disease and parasites and by better stock raising. More than 40 per cent. of the original U. S. infested territory has been cleared, the report says, and the annual loss of $40,000,000 through this parasite has been greatly reduced. Diseases are being eliminated.

The report says of food production:

"The production of food crops adequate to meet the consuming needs of the country and the export demand is a matter of large importance to the American people. Our potential agricultural resources in this respect are so varied and ample that there can be no doubt of our ability abundantly to supply our domestic wants, when climatic conditions are normal and the foreign demand is not excessive. One of the greatest agricultural needs, therefore, is the stabilizing of production.

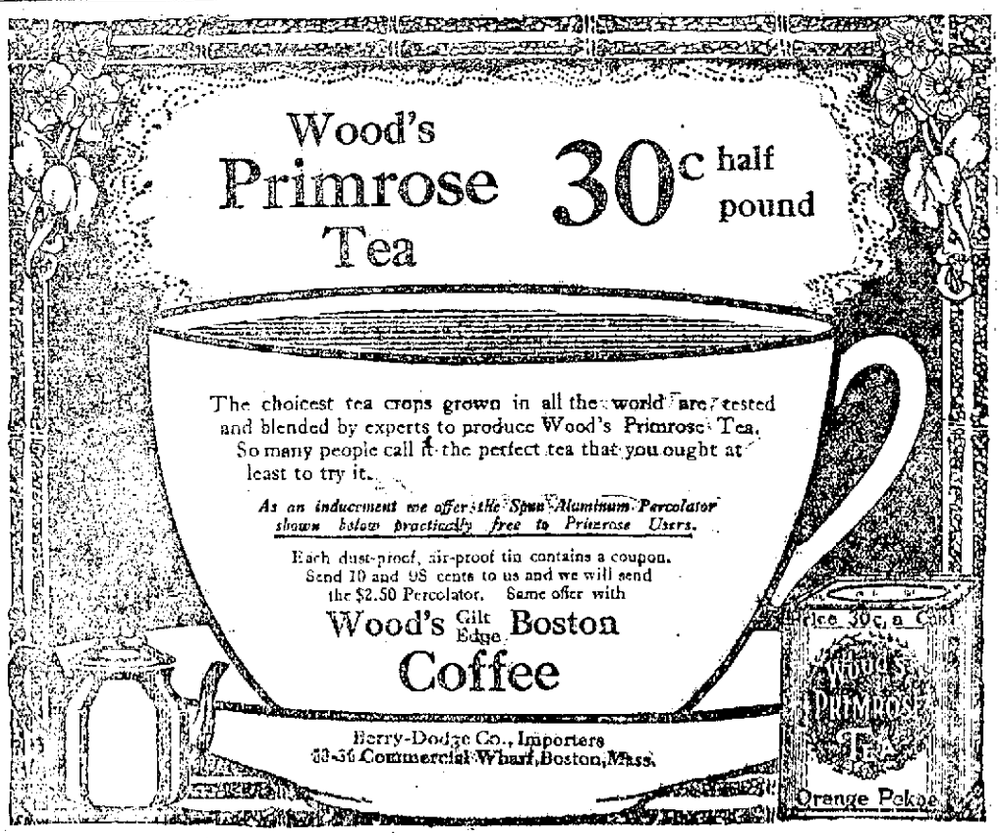
"Sharp fluctuation of yield and price from season to season tends to stimulate speculative and superficial farming and to discourage the systematic crop rotation and thorough cultural practice which are essential to an enduring and economically sound agriculture. It is obvious that, in large measure, stabilization of production must be brought about through the use of better adapted or improved crop varieties, more systematic and rational crop rotations, and improved agricultural practice generally, including in many sections, large attention to livestock production.

"As the principles of crop improvement are better understood and more generally applied, larger yields per acre should result. In addition, a great deal can be accomplished through increase of soil fertility and better culture methods. Enough has been done in this direction by the state experiment stations and the department, and also by good farmers to justify the expectation that considerably increased acre yields gradually will be brought about in a large part of the area adapted to the staple food crops.

"Very destructive climatic conditions never occur in this country with equal severity throughout all the staple-crop regions. It is highly desirable, therefore, further to broaden the areas for these staples as far as experience and sound economics may warrant."

The report reviews at length the administration of the foods and drugs act. Its recommendations for legislation to reinforce the present law are given: "Experience in connection with the administration of the food and drugs act has strikingly emphasized the importance of enforceable standards for foods and drugs. Without them it is impossible to carry out completely the purposes of the act. In many instances protection of the consumer—the principal object of the law—can not fully be accomplished, nor can unfair practice on the part of unscrupulous manufacturers adequately be prevented. In some cases maintenance of prosecution is difficult and expensive, even when the articles involved clearly are adulterated or misbranded. To meet this situation, I have recommended in the estimates for the fiscal year 1918 that the secretary of agriculture be authorized to establish standards of strength, quality or purity for articles of food and for those articles of drugs which are sold under or by a name not recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia or National Formulary. The suggestion provides that if any article fails to conform to the established standards it shall be deemed to be misbranded, unless it is labeled so as plainly and conspicuously to show how it differs from the standard.

"I have also recommended in the estimates that the department be given authority to inspect establishments producing foods or drugs intended for shipment in interstate or foreign commerce. No specific authority exists at the present time. If the suggested authority be granted, the department should be able to improve the quality of food products, both by bringing to the attention of manufacturers any insanitary conditions that may be discovered and by securing evidence of production under insanitary conditions."



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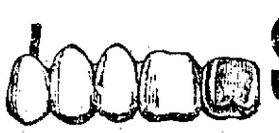
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HUB FIREMEN FORM A UNION

500 Vote to Join the American Federation of Labor

Action Due to Loss of Day Off In Three Issue

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Five hundred members of the Boston fire department voted to join the American Federation of Labor yesterday and to organize a labor union among themselves.

Leaders in the movement assert that under no circumstances will the firemen be obliged to go out on strike as fidelity to the service is recognized by the organization as paramount to any obligation of the union.

They further assert that all the firemen may hope to secure by joining the labor movement is the moral support and active assistance of organized labor in their efforts to secure better working conditions.

The firemen themselves declare that it will make absolutely no difference to them as members of the Boston fire department.

Fire Commissioner Grady stated that under no circumstances would the union be allowed to interfere with the discipline of the department or affect in any way the rules and regulations. Whatever else they were, he said, they were first of all firemen and their duty to the city was superior to all other considerations.

Mayor Curley approved the action of the firemen and said there was no reason why they should not organize for mutual protection and advancement.

This affiliation with the American Federation of Labor is the direct result of the failure of the Boston city council to grant the firemen one day off in three. At present the firemen have one day off in five, working 24 hours a day except for an hour and a quarter allowed daily for meals.

The firemen in Buffalo and Pittsburg are affiliated with the federation. Chicago firemen are said to be partially affiliated.

Four-Day Tour Too Long

The movement was fostered by the Russell Fire club, an organization of privates in the Boston fire department. Louis C. Stickel, hoseman at Engine 8, and retiring president of the club, stated the position of the firemen last night as follows:

"The firemen are dissatisfied over the failure of the city council to grant them better working conditions. They feel that each year brings better working conditions and a higher standard of living for the workingmen. They feel that the firemen, too, should be included in the forward movement and not left behind. To be on duty for four days and four nights, except for meal time, is not a 20th century condition.

"For this reason the men feel that affiliation with th A. F. of L. is a step forward, a step in the direction of better working conditions. Affiliation was voted on before but was voted down to satisfy the business men and trade organizations at that time. The movement this year is the result of the efforts of the Boston city council, Boston chamber of commerce, and other organizations which opposed the demands of the firemen for more time off."

Two-Platoon Basis Sought

Although this is the first movement of its kind among firemen this side of Pittsburg, firemen and labor leaders assert that similar action will follow by firemen in all the large cities of the east, where fire clubs are organized.

Just when the union will be organized is not known, but an application for a charter will be made at once and as soon as it is received a bill will be presented to the legislature by the Massachusetts State Firemen's association providing for the organization of the Boston fire department on a platoon basis, that is half the department will be on duty half of each day. The firemen also propose to make a demand on the United States inspectors of steamboats at Boston to enforce the federal laws in respect to the firemen employed on the fireboats.

These and other grievances will be embodied in bills offered and supported as labor measures.

FOOD SENT TO WAR ZONE

LONDON, Dec. — Foodstuffs amounting to 2,500,000 tons and valued at $227,500,000 have been sent into Belgium, says a report just issued here. Besides foodstuffs the commission has shipped into this war zone something like 5,000,000 articles of clothing.

Allied government subsidies for the relief of people in these stricken districts have amounted to $152,000,000. Public subscriptions, in kind and in money, and other private moneys, amounted to approximately $30,000,000 of which the United States have about 25 per cent., and the British empire nearly all the rest.

The population confined to this territory as a result of the war, all of whom received bread from the commission, numbers, according to the report 9,500,000.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

"The Common Law" that brilliant dramatic success by Robert W. Chambers which is the offering of the Emerson players at the Lowell Opera House, is the biggest success scored by this popular aggregation of stock stars in the past season and a half and it promises to break all former records to pieces. There is a big demand for seats for the remaining performances today and wise ones will make reservations early and thus avoid any chance of disappointment. Seats can be secured by phoning 261.

Miss Ann O'Day as Valerie West is scoring a wonderful hit while Ivan Miller could not be better as Kelley Neville, the young artist. James J. Hayden, James T. Galloway, Millard Vincent, Frank Wright, Rose Morison and Gladys McLeod play their parts finely. A superb scenic production is given by Director Wright, with all new and special effects being used.

Sunday afternoon and evening at the Opera House, a dandy program of vaudeville and picture features will be offered the management having secured five splendid acts and as many reels of the newest and best releases in photoplays. Halliday and West in a comedy musical offering are sure to make a great hit with Lowell audiences. This act is a riot of laughter from the start to the finish and everywhere they have played, they have been featured headliners. Evelyn and Rita in song and violin selections is a classy sister act and these two girls will be the hit of the program. Joe Masson in songs and chatter, an act that is entirely different, is a clever funmaker. Fritzkold and Blanchard in singing and fun stage and Jerge and Hamilton "the gloom chasers" are other numbers on the program that will make good with local audiences. The pictures will include both comedy and dramatic features. Seats are now selling for the both performances and should be secured early.

Next week, starting with a special bon bon matinee on Monday, the Emerson players will present "In Old Kentucky" a wonderful melodrama which for more than two decades has thrilled the world. This great play will be offered for the first time by any stock company and also for the first time at popular prices having been secured by special arrangement with the American Play company for one week's production at an almost prohibitive royalty figure.

As a special feature during next week's play, Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady of the Emerson players will offer several [illegible] as part of her character [illegible] of the mountain girl [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] will be given [illegible] effects.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

And still the California Boys' Band prove the great magnet at the B. F. Keith theatre this week. Forty splendid specimens of boyhood, under the very capable leadership of Major Sydney S. Pexotto, put in a strenuous half hour playing band numbers, folk dancing, [illegible], doing ground and lofty tumbling and forming pyramids. The [illegible] the boys here is in the nature of general broad education to them and in return for what they get they offer the [illegible] splendidly varied program. Since they have been in Lowell they have visited many of the local industries and have been [illegible] received by all who have come in contact with them.

"Look, Laugh, Listen" put forward by Jim Toney and Ann Norman, is a [illegible] hit of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for it is the result of several years of experience in the best vaudeville theatres in this and foreign countries. Another good act is that given by Jack Kitts and Gordon Harvey. Writers of their own song numbers, they visualize them in such a manner as to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Two of their [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] is played by [illegible] and Johnson & [illegible] [illegible] and dancers of note, [illegible] [illegible] The Flying [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and the [illegible] [illegible] with the latest [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in advance. Phone 28.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

The double feature program which [illegible] play of exceptional merit [illegible] pleased the many patrons of the Merrimack Square theatre yesterday afternoon and evening, will be [illegible] shown at the continuous performances at this theatre, today and tomorrow. Dustin Farnum [illegible] in the pleasing role of a young [illegible] [illegible] play, "A Son of Erin," a play of thrills and has [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a strong [illegible] arrangement which is made [illegible] by the appearance of Dustin Farnum. Also on this same latter half of the week program at the Merrimack Square theatre is the five act drama, "The Conquest of Canaan" by Booth Tarkington the celebrated author. In this play are featured Edith Taliaferro and Jack Sherrill, each appearing in roles adapted to their ability. The Burton Holmes pictures will also be shown as well as several other enjoyable plays. A special feature which will be added to the matinee performances tomorrow afternoon, is one which will delight especially the youngsters. It is another episode of "The Girl From 'Frisco," a refined yet thrilling play of the west. This is just the picture for parents to send their children to see. It will give them good, wholesome enjoyment, and keep them out of harm's way.

OWL THEATRE

The exciting story of a woman's love and the adventures which it led to, form the basis of "A Woman's Honor," the latest Fox release, which will head the big week-end program at the Owl theatre today and tomorrow. Appearing in the stellar role will be Jose Collins, the famous comic opera star, whose equally famous dark eyes and hair made her one of Broadway's greatest favorites.

The scene of "A Woman's Honor" is laid in Italy, in and around Naples. In order to get the Italian effect, the entire force of the Fox Studio was transported to Cuba. The story of the play deals with a beautiful young Italian peasant girl, who is married to her lover on the eve of his departure for America. The civil ceremony is performed at once while the religious ceremony is to wait until the husband returns from America. The girl's mother suddenly dies and she soon after leaves Italy to join her husband. How the girl falls into the hands of a wealthy roue on the way, how she finally escapes and swears vengeance against the man and woman who had caused her forms a powerful story which sweeps on a much more powerful climax.

"The Fireman," the second of the new Charlie Chaplin releases will also be shown at the Owl today and tomorrow. In this new picture Chaplin discards the raiment which has made him famous and appears as a fire laddie. Thrills as well as laughs crowd this new film, as the fire scene in which several buildings were destroyed are sensational in the extreme.

Other excellent attractions will also be shown at the Owl today and tomorrow.

ROYAL THEATRE

Ali Singh, Louis Tracy's devilish yellow man in "The Yellow Menace," played by Edwin Stevens, has proven one of the sensations of the current picture season. The 14th episode of "The Yellow Menace" shows this remarkable character pursuing his fiendish desire to rule the entire world. His machinations have been followed with interest by thousands of movie fans, and the fact that there are only two more episodes to come, increases the audiences every Friday and Saturday at the Royal theatre, where it is shown. Today and tomorrow, the 14th episode of "Liberty," featuring Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo will be shown, besides the second episode of Kalem's new serial detective series, "Grant, Police Reporter," featuring Ollie Kirby and George Larkin. The usual strong attractions will complete a fine end-of-the-week performance for the two days. Coming soon, Pearl White, the famous Pathe actress in another big serial, called "Pearl of the Army." On Sunday, Billie Burke in "Gloria's Romance" and other big attractions are booked for showing. Winsome Viola Dana in a smashing subject Monday.

JEWEL THEATRE

The Jewel theatre has a corking show booked for today and tomorrow, with a variety of subjects that will please anyone. A comedy in two acts, "Boarders and Bombs," featuring Billie West, Charles Chaplin's double, is among them. Mary Fuller in "Cheaters" offers an exceptionally fine photoplay in multiple reels, while episodes of "The Crimson Stain Mystery" and "Liberty" and the usual releases will complete the performance. Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo and the star cast in "Liberty" are doing exceptional work in this serial. Maurice Costello, Ethel Grandin and Miss Olonova, the new screen "vampire" are splendid in "The Crimson Stain Mystery" and with the fine supporting company that plays with them, this serial is surely one of the best ever shown in Lowell.

TEMPLE CLUB DANCE

Tonight Associate hall will be the scene of jollity and festivity for the Temple club social and dance will be given by this popular organization. A splendid time is assured all who attend this annual event. The music for this occasion will be furnished by the Miner-Doyle orchestra. The ticket are 25 cents.

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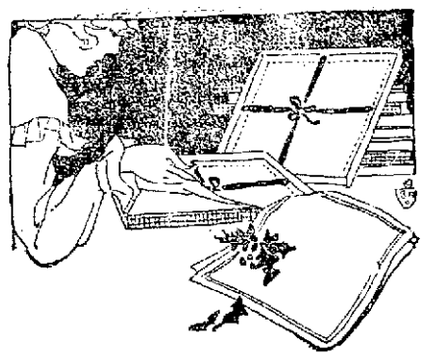


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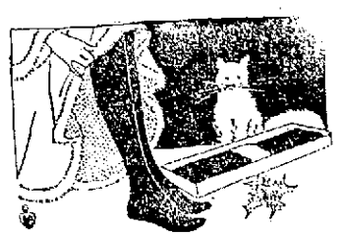
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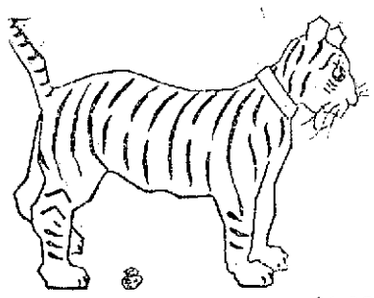
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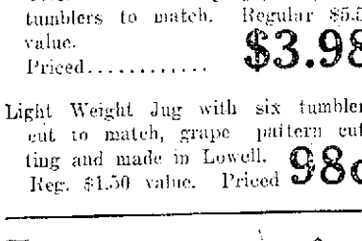
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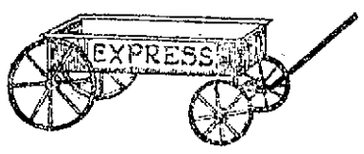
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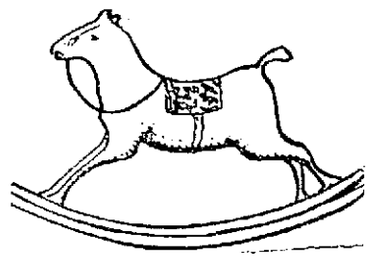
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Trick, slight of hand, illusions, etc., including book of construction. Priced.....75c to $5.00

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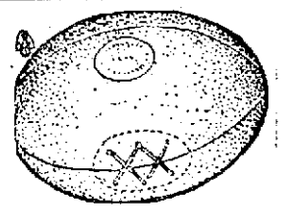
Teddy Bears.....25c to $2.75





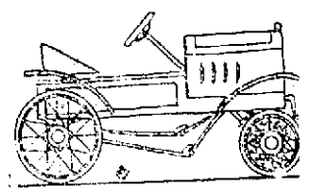
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BUNTING CRICKET CLUB'S ANNUAL BANQUET

Over 200 members of the United States Bunting Cricket club and Athletic association attended the annual banquet of the organization in the well appointed quarters at Bunting park last evening. The affair was very successful in every way and the manner in which the evening's program was carried out reflects much credit upon the officers of the club, who had spared no time or effort to make the event a banner one. Present at the festivities were representatives of the state and city including Adjutant General Garner W. Pearson, Representatives O'Connell, Butler and Jewett; Senator-elect Arthur W. Colburn and Commissioners Donnelly and Duncan.

In the early evening an informal reception was held in the spacious quarters of the club and at 8 o'clock after the singing of "America" by the gathering, all sat down to a bountiful dinner



FREDERICK G. HUMPHRISS
Toastmaster

served by Caterer R. J. Harvey. At the close of the meal Vice President Thomas A. Wilde rapped to order and after extending a cordial welcome to the guests, introduced as the toastmaster of the evening, President Frederick G. Humphriss, who in his opening address spoke in part as follows:

Mr. Chairman, fellow members, friends of the Bunting club, I desire to express my sincere thanks for the honor you have conferred upon me this evening by selecting me as your toastmaster. In accepting the position of toastmaster tonight I am warmed by the enthusiastic welcome which you have been pleased to accord to me. I am, on the other hand, daunted when I recollect, first of all, what large demands I have to make on your patience and secondly how inadequate are my powers, and how inadequate almost any amount of time you can grant me to tell you of the progress our club has made since its organization. It is pleasant to me to meet this brilliant company and doubly pleasant to see the faces of so many distinguished persons at our banquet.

Thank you again for your good wishes and may you all be spared to meet together for many years to come.

We are gathered here tonight to celebrate the twenty-second anniversary of our club. The Buntings have made a magnificent record, so it is fitting that the members should celebrate every year by a gathering of this kind, the birth of their club in a manner in keeping with the events of its past history. Since its inc... in 1894 when a few men ... banded together it has show... growth in membership and ...work which has been accomplished in promoting out door athletic sports, encouraging social intercourse and improving the physical and moral qualities of its members has won recognition and high regard for the Bunting club not only from the best people in our city but from all over New England.

During the last three years our club has spent over $6000—in promoting outdoor athletic sports. Over 30,000 people have been entertained on our grounds during that period.

In our membership can be found persons of all races, creeds and political parties. The personnel of our club is and always has been considered in the eyes of the public as A-1. In our efforts to increase our membership, we have never lost sight of the fact that the best men are not too good for us to associate with.

The past year has been of excellent growth, universal harmony and good fellowship and we have cause to rejoice and be truly thankful for the high degree of prosperity.

Indications multiply and evidence accumulates which leads us to believe that notwithstanding the rather unsettled conditions which prevail in our city at the present time affecting



THOMAS E. WILDE
Committee Chairman

the standing of not only our own club but clubs all over the state that our organization will keep its place as the foremost organization for social and athletic purposes in the city.

In view of the known character of our speakers who are to respond to the toasts tonight and the singers who have volunteered their services for your pleasure and entertainment it would not be becoming in me to detain you with many remarks of my own. But I would like to say something to our members which would arouse their enthusiasm and result in the co-operation of every member with the officers of the club.

Calls For Enthusiasm

Let us be enthusiastic in our work and society. Enthusiasm is the quality in human beings which causes them to go about their pursuits ardently. We find genuine enthusiasm back of every great personality and every great achievement. Enthusiasm especially implies to capacity to believe and to try that which has not been done or proved feasible. Enthusiasm took Christopher Columbus across the ocean—Napoleon over the Alps, John Brown to his death. Enthusiasm ... the small American boy from his stand as office boy at the door to be head of the firm. The lack of enthusiasm explains the lack of success in thousands and millions of us. We cannot all be statesmen, orators, great inventors, liberators of the people or pioneers in scientific work. But we can all be genuine enthusiasts and use our enthusiasm in the best work at our hand.

If you are enthusiastic in the work of the club there is no question but what you will co-operate with the officers to make the club a success—brother members—there never was a time in our history when your co-operation was more needed than it is now.

Combined efforts count. Successful institutions represent the combined efforts of men. Look at current events, if you would ask for evidence of benefits derived from co-operation.

Co-operation and good fellowship may be said to be synonymous. The one cannot long endure without the other. They are just as essential to the life of collective accomplishments as oxygen and hydrogen are essential to the existence of every living thing. Good fellowship paves the way to the heart and so does fraternity and when these are attained you can ... count on co-operation in every emergency.

Brother members, remember that your officers cannot do it all. It requires the hearty co-operation of every member. Officers can only keep the machinery of the club in order. The members must do the rest. In closing I appeal to all the members to stand together, for in unity there is strength. I have already said there never was a time in our history when your co-operation was more needed than it is now.

May dissensions be eliminated. May loyalty reign and thanksgiving follow. May the Bunting clubs influence never wane. Its name never die and its roll of honor never be tarnished. May it be the honest endeavor of each and every one of [illegible] to make [illegible] ful year in the history of your organization.

Commissioner Duncan

In the absence of Mayor O'Donnell, the toast, "The City of Lowell," was responded to by Commissioner Duncan, who took occasion to congratulate the members of the organization for the success obtained during the 22 years of the club's existence, saying he is glad to see that the members are doing their utmost to have the city of Lowell placed on the map. The commissioner then spoke of the nearly days of Lowell in 1826 when it was a town and told of a group of business men of Boston coming to Pawtucket falls and selecting the site for the city of spindles. He said there was no settlement in Lowell at that time. The Boston men built the first factory here in 1826 and since that time the city has prospered in a marvelous way.

The commissioner incidentally referred to the Locks & Canals Co. as being opposed to Lowell progressing by giving the cold shoulder to large concerns that would have come to Lowell had they received a little encouragement. "In spite of the Locks & Canals Co., however," continued the speaker, "Lowell is not dead but progressing rapidly. What we want now is to help beautify our city and not be ashamed to have any one look at our products. We have in Lowell as fine streets as can be found in the country and pretty soon we will have a fine high school that will be the pride of all citizens of Lowell."

The other speakers and their toasts were as follows: Rep. Victor F. Jewett, "The Commonwealth"; Adjt. Gen. Pearson, "Preparedness"; Lawrence Cummings, "The Press"; George H. Brown also spoke. During the evening vocal selections were given by George Kerwin, Commissioner Donnelly, Michael Gorman and Joseph Vallery.

The committees responsible for the success of the evening were as follows: Entertainment committee: Thomas E. Wilde, chairman; Harry Short, Dennis Lynch, John W. Foster, George Emsley, Samuel J. Nichol, William Easton.

Banquet committee: Frederick G. Humphriss, S. J. Nichol, George Emsley, Thomas Wilde, Harry W. Short, John Foster, James Gamwell, Dennis Lynch, George H. Underwood, William H. Easton, Alfred Chapman, William H. Grant, James Garnett.

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BOSTON LADIES' OUTFITTERS

94 Merrimack Street Lowell, Mass.

DOYLE ELECTED CAPTAIN OF COMPANY G

It is now Capt. Thomas W. Doyle, for the popular first lieutenant of Co. G, Sixth infantry, Massachusetts National Guard, was elected captain at a meeting held in the company's rooms at the state armory in Westford street last night. Capt. Doyle succeeds Capt. Walter R. Jeyes, who resigned his position in order to devote his entire time to the management of the Lowell Boys' club.

Second Lieut. Schuyler R. Waller was elected first lieutenant of the company and Sergt. Jerome Marble Heiser was elected second lieutenant. Major Colby T. Kittredge presided over the meeting and all three elections were unanimous.

Capt. Doyle is one of the best known men in military circles in the state. He has devoted much of his time to the improvement of the company to which he is attached as well as spending much time in military training which took him to various parts of the country where special training sessions were being held. He was also military instructor at the Lowell high school for a time and is considered one of the best rifle shots in the Bay State.

He joined Company G on May 11, 1897, and is a veteran of the Spanish-American war. During his career in the military he has won many honors, and is one of the most popular officers connected with any of the Lowell companies.

First Lieut. Waller since taking up military wor in 1908, has advanced rapidly, and his personality has won him the confidence of the company.

The election to second lieutenant of Sergt. Heiser was received with gratification by his entire roster of friends, and the enlisted men of G feel that with their three new leaders, all things are possible for the company.

The records of the three officers promoted are as follows:

Captain Thomas W. Doyle joined Co. G, Sixth infantry, N. G. Mass., May 11, 1897. Elected second lieutenant May 28, 1906. Elected first lieutenant Dec. 26, 1907. Mustered into U.S.V. May 12, 1898, served Cuba and Porto Rico. Mustered out Jan. 21, 1899. Served as private, war with Spain. Lawrence riot duty 1912. Mustered into U. S. federal service July 1, 1916 for "Mexican border service." Mustered out Sept. 18, 1916. Member state and international rifle teams.

First Lieut. Schuyler R. Waller joined Co. K June 4, 1908. Private, corporal and sergeant. Joined Co. G, June 4, 1912. Elected second lieutenant Co. G, Sixth infantry, N. G. Mass. June 11, 1912. Lawrence riot duty 1912. Mustered into U. S. federal service July 12, 1916 for "Mexican border service." Mustered out Sept. 30, 1916. Member Co. G rifle team.

Second Lieut. Jerome Marble Heiser. Graduate Central high school, Minneapolis, Minn. Attended Mt. Hermon school, Massachusetts. Private, corporal and sergeant Co. G, Sixth infantry, N. G. Mass. "Mexican border service." Mustered into U. S. federal service July 12, 1916. Mustered out Oct. 27, 1916. Member Co. G rifle team.

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STRIKE VOTE BY 30,000 GARMENT WORKERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Employers in this city were notified today that more than 30,000 members of the Almalgamated Clothing Workers of America had empowered the officials of the union to call a strike if the workers do not receive the 8-hour day. The vote was completed last night. Some time ago the union served an ultimatum upon the American Clothing Manufacturers' Association and its sub-contractors demanding an increase of $2 a week in wages and a reduction in working hours. The wage increase aggregating over $2,500,000 a year was granted but no action was taken on the question of hours.

DIRECTORS ELECTED BY CLUB LAFAYETTE

The annual meeting of the members of Club Lafayette was held last evening in the quarters of the organization in upper Merrimack street and a feature of the meeting was the election of the directors. The meeting was largely attended and President Albert J. Blazon occupied the chair. The report of the treasurer, Frederick A. Lamoureux, showed the organization to be in good financial standing, while the secretary, Ernest J. Dupont, was also acceptable.

The election of three directors took place and the following were the unanimous choice of the assembly: J. B. Felnault, Herve Parthenais and Z. A. Normandin. The directors will meet next week for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

At the close of the business session a social hour was spent during which a varied entertainment program was given, those taking part being members of the club as well as two stars from the B. F. Keith theatre, James King and Norton Harvey, who sang, played the piano and told stories much to the enjoyment of the gathering. A buffet luncheon was served and the officers of the club were warmly congratulated for the success of the evening.

SCHOOLS TO TRAIN U. S. TROOPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Educational institutions approved by the war department yesterday for the organization of reserve officers training corps units include Norwich university, Northfield, Vt., where a cavalry unit will be organized, and the University of Vermont, where an infantry unit will be established.

CALLS PHILIPPINE BILL BEST ORGANIC ACT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Philippine bill enacted at the last session of congress "is probably the best organic act ever passed by congress," declared Brig. Gen. Frank McIntyre, chief of the bureau of insular affairs in his annual report, made public today. Gen. McIntyre finds there is a "general feeling of satisfaction in the islands on the passage of the bill far greater than was anticipated." It includes, he adds, all the legislation the war department and the Philippine government sought and the report makes no request for additional enactments.

Recommendation that American citizenship be extended to Porto Rico is renewed. A bill to this end passed the house last May and Gen. McIntyre says that the elections on the island have been postponed in the hope that the senate will concur at this session.

LOWELL NEST OF OWLS NOMINATES OFFICERS

A largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the members of the Lowell Nest of Owls was held last evening in Elks' hall, Middle street, with President R. J. Flynn in the chair. Considerable business was transacted and a feature of the evening was the nomination of officers, which resulted as follows:

Erving E. Libby, president; Edouard Lemay, vice president; James Needham, invocator; Cornelius F. Harrington, warden; John J. Hartnett, recording secretary; James H. Rogers, financial secretary; John A. Bailey, treasurer; Joseph Ayotte, sentinel; Louis Sawyer, picket; John J. Wellsman and Roddy P. Monahan, sick committee; Dr. Harold B. Plunkett and Dr. George E. Caisse, physicians; William L. Dickey, trustee for three years. At the next meeting of the Nest the secretary will cast a ballot in favor of the above candidates, who have no opposition and the installation will take place at the first meeting in January at which time a varied entertainment program will be given.

50 BELOW IN ALASKA

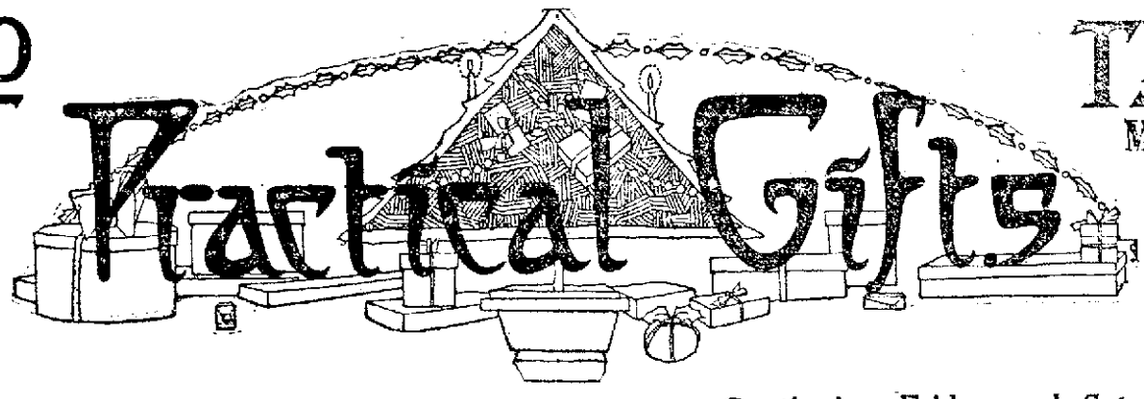
SEWARD, Alaska, Dec. 8.—Train crews on the United States railway reported Wednesday's weather the coldest they ever experienced, the temperature at one point where three mountain valleys meet being estimated at 50 degrees below zero.

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NIGHT ROBES of crepe de chine, with tops of filet and Valenciennes lace, ribbons and French roses..3.95 and 4.95

CAMISOLES AND BRASSIERES of crepe de chine, washable satin and Cluny lace .....95c, 1.95 and 2.95

BOUDOIR CAPS OF LACE, net and pink, blue or white crepe de chine, 50c and 75c

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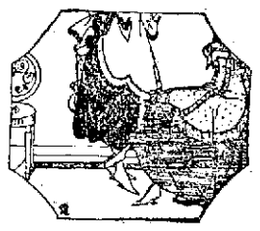
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FIVE MEN KILLED AT CROSSING

Central Vermont Train Hits Auto Near Stafford Springs

Auto Cut In Halves—Bodies Horribly Mangled, Hurled In River

WILLIMANTIC, Conn., Dec. 8.—Five men were hurled to almost instant death, and a sixth is dying in the Johnson Memorial hospital, Stafford Springs, as the result of a collision between an automobile in which they were riding and a passenger train of the Central Vermont railway.

The fatalities occurred shortly after 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the electric light crossing a mile south of Stafford Springs. All the victims of the crash were mechanics employed by the contracting firm of Latham & Crane of this city and were returning to their homes.

The dead are: Henry St. Pierre, Algot B. Clausen, Preston Osterhaut, Andrew S. Swanson and Fred Kovall. The dying man is William D. Lason.

The men had just quit work for the day and had accepted an invitation to ride in the automobile which was owned and driven by Osterhaut. Just where the fatality occurred there is a sharp turn in the road leading directly to the railroad crossing. The auto was going at a fair rate of speed and the train was said to be speeding in order to make up a few minutes on its schedule.

Neither the engineer nor any of the men had any warning as to the catastrophe until the automobile was directly on the track and the train but a few feet away. Engineer Sears had no time to act before the crash came and the men were hurled from the car and their bodies sent flying, mangled masses into the river which paralleled the railroad or at the side of the track. The auto was smashed to splinters, the front half being thrown on one side of the train and the rear on the other.

As soon as possible the train was stopped and the crew, along with frightened and horrified passengers, rushed to the scene. They gathered the mangled bodies up as hastily as possible, the last one being taken from the river about 7 o'clock. As soon as it was found that one was still alive he was placed on the train and rushed to the hospital.

PRES. WILSON TO SPEAK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Wilson will be a speaker tonight before the conference on social insurance, in session here. Secretary Redfield will preside. The conference today discussed old age and mothers' pensions.

10 PER CENT INCREASE

BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 8.—The Pepperell Manufacturing Co. in this city and the York Manufacturing Co. in Saco, announced an advance of 10 per cent. in wages today to take effect Jan. 1. About 6000 operatives are affected.

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MOORS PRAISES WILSON'S MEXICAN POLICY

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—High praise of President Wilson, of John Lind, his Mexican envoy; criticism of Mrs. Nelson O'Shaughnessy's recent book on Mexico, and a hope that the League to Enforce Peace may carry out its plans, were the features of an address delivered last night by John F. Moors, president of the Associated Charities and member of the finance commission, before a rather small audience in Pilgrim hall, under the auspices of the Women's Peace party.

Mr. Moors took up especially the relations between the United States and the Latin countries of South America. He emphasized the work, that President Wilson is doing in attempring to restore order out of chaos in Mexico by force of good will, patience and helpfulness rather than by force of arms.

Mrs. O'Shaughnessy he described as having "her heroism confined to the society of Mexico City and the well-equipped battleships of Uncle Sam and John Bull, thinking Carranza a greedy old man."

President Wilson he lauded because his efforts had been so slow in bringing their reward, Mr. Moors said, and that this had brought out the president's ability to persist in the right course in the face of temporary failure. "It is much easier to be a good winner than a good loser," said Mr. Moors, prophesying the ultimate triumph of the Wilson policy.

ASKS MORE MONEY TO DEVELOP MASS. RIVERS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—A plea for appropriations for the development of Massachusetts waterways, as an aid to the industrial life of New England, was made before the national rivers and harbors congress here yesterday, by Chairman John N. Cole of the Massachusetts waterways commission.

In an address on "The New England Factory and the Markets of the World," Mr. Cole pleaded for federal assistance to widen and deepen the Connecticut river channel to Holyoke and argued for the construction of an 18 to 20 foot channel in the Merrimack river from Lowell to the sea.

VIRGINIUS J. MAYO BEATS UP HIS SUCCESSOR

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 8.—Virginius J. Mayo, a manufacturer whose tangled domestic affairs became public after the suicide of Lillian Cook, a stenographer in his employ, some time ago, was arrested in Hamden yesterday, charged with assault upon E. B. Shoemaker, appointed yesterday to take charge of the Mayo plant.

Mayo furnished a bond, and his counsel, Benjamin Slade, announced that the superior court would be asked to issue an injunction to restrain Shoemaker from interference.

ELECTRIC COMPANIES' ANNUAL REPORT

DISAGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ON SIX-CENT FARE CASE

Disagreement with the public service commission on many points in the Bay State six-cent fare case is expressed in this year's report of the Massachusetts Electric companies. The commission's findings are exhaustively analyzed and issue taken with many conclusions, the company stating that while it has no wish to return criticism for criticism, it feels obliged to inform shareholders of facts ignored and errors made.

A fundamental omission is declared to be non-recognition of the great expense of recent development in the art of street railroading. The commission laid stress on poor condition of certain lines merged in 1899, but is declared to have ignored the vast cost of revolutionary changes then undreamed of. Expense of rebuilding a few stretches of poor track was an insignificant fraction of that required by new, heavy cars and rails and large, consolidated power stations. Meanwhile the nickel remained the rigid fare unit, with its purchase power steadily dwindling.

Cars in operation, the company agrees, are not all in good order, but it points out that new cars cost money and take time, especially just now; also that the commission suggests no way of financing, while completely ignoring credit. More cars have been ordered; and it is termed unjust to criticise those kept moving to meet urgent public need.

As to the commission's remark that 120 miles of track need to be rebuilt, the company declares there is no disposition to avoid rebuilding where business justifies it, and cites as proof thereof that 562 out of 934 miles in the entire system have already been rebuilt or built new at a cost of $18,500,000. In addition some $3,000,000 have been spent on cars and power stations since 1899, and the total of $22,500,000 is described as "not contemptible," considering that the entire capitalization of the companies acquired was less than $20,000,000.

The company complains of the commission's severe attitude as to depreciation. The recognized practice of all street railway and steam railroads in Massachusetts is set forth, and the commission is asserted to have set up a new standard "by which to judge and condemn past conduct." Remarks of the railroad commission in their reports of 1894 and 1898, which the public service commission described as "repeated warnings," are shown to have been constantly disregarded by both commissions during the 20 years since they were promulgated.

The company declares that the commission ignored the limitations which credit imposes on a street railway, that regulation must take into account the restrictions which the laws relating to the issue of securities impose, and that disregard of these elements "can produce nothing but bad results."

Much attention is given paying and non-paying lines. On the question whether the system should be treated as a rate-making unit the commission is described as showing "a disheartening vagueness." If deficits of non-paying lines are not to be wholly met from profitable lines or raised fares, apparently only the stockholders are left to bear them. But the law provides they shall receive a fair return, and the commission decides they have not received it. The logical result would seem to abandon unprofitable lines. The company says it supposed the value of the country lines was admitted by everybody; yet such a result "seems to follow inevitably from the language employed in the commission's opinion."

As to dividends the company asserts that new capital necessary for improvements aside from replacements, cannot be obtained if earned dividends are indefinitely withheld. If the Bay State, while clearing off large sums for reconstruction, had further withheld dividends to establish a "depreciation reserve," when no other street railway did so, new money would have gone into other enterprises. Money thus withheld could not have rebuilt the property.

PRESENTED A 3-ACT DRAMA

The members of St. Anne's school alumni of Lawrence presented a three-act drama in city hall, Lawrence last evening and the affair was attended by about 800 people. The entertainment was given for the benefit of the chapel the Marist brothers are erecting at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. In commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of the founding of the order. Present at the entertainment from Lowell were Rev. Bro. Leon Bernardin, master of St. Joseph's college and Wolfred P. Caisse, Jr., president of St. Joseph's college alumni.

BREMEN LOST IN STORM

AMSTERDAM, via London, Dec. 8. From a statement made by Alfred Lohmann, president of the board of directors of the German Ocean Navigation company, in which he declined to say anything about the German merchant submarine Bremen, except that the vessel was neither torpedoed nor captured, the Cologne Gazette infers that the Bremen was lost during a storm in the Atlantic.

DEFENDS PAY OF "L" HEADS

BOSTON, Dec. 8. Frederick E. Snow, counsel for the Boston Elevated Railway company, defended the salaries paid to President Brush and former President Bancroft at a hearing held before the special investigating commission yesterday. He said that each received $25,000, while formerly the salary of General Bancroft had been $30,000, and that of Mr. Brush, $15,000.

The Elevated attorney went into the matter of finances at great length, and said that there was no justification for the statement made by ex-Mayor Matthews that the increase in the company's business during the next three years would take care of the cost of operation.



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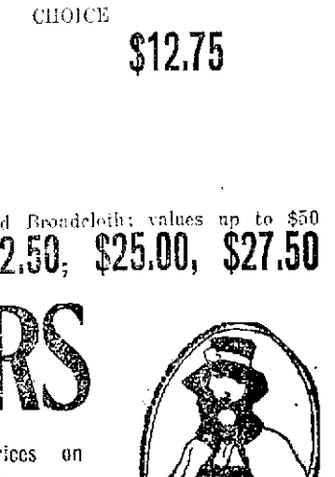
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50 dozen extra heavy coat sweaters, value $1.98, choice $1.00.
50 dozen wool scarf and cap sets, regular $1.50 value, 98c.
25 dozen brushed wool and knitted caps, 98c value, 50c.
3,000 dress skirts to be closed out at give-away prices, regular $2.50 and $2.98 skirts, at choice $1.98...
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INTERESTING LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Bliss Knapp, C.S.B., of the board of lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, of Boston, gave a lecture on "Christian Science, the Revelation of Divine Power," before a large audience in Colonial hall last evening and deep interest was manifested.

Elmore J. Chamberlain of this city introduced the lecturer. He said,

"I am glad to welcome you this evening in behalf of First Church of Christ Scientist. Jesus said, 'Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.'

"Christian Science accepts and proves this assurance to be true by the testimony of thousands of grateful people who have been set free from the bondage of sin and disease.

"We are gathered here to listen to a lecturer who is fully qualified to elucidate this great Truth—as taught in Christian Science.

"It gives me pleasure to introduce a member of the board of lectureship of the mother church, the First Church of Christ Scientist of Boston, Mr. Bliss Knapp, C.S.B., of Brookline."

Mr. Knapp said, in part:

It is true that every system of religion known to men claims to be the promulgation of revealed truth; but that which differentiates the demonstrable revelation of Jesus Christ from all others is its power to give life and to restore health. It is the life giving power in Christian truth which makes it demonstrable in healing sickness and sin. One school of philosophers has propounded the theory that truth is twofold; that there is one truth called reason, and another truth called revelation, but that revelation has no law and is lacking in a reasonable explanation. The result is agnosticism. Christianity, on the other hand, teaches there is but one truth and this truth is God. It teaches moreover that divine truth is expressed through law which may be understood and demonstrated in Christian healing. This teaching reconciles reason and revelation in the oneness of truth.

True Worship

Some may feel they have lost their God in thinking of Him as truth; but Jesus declared in all earnestness that "The true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth." That may be clarified by another of Jesus' sayings: "None is good save one, that is God." Now the spirit or law of infinite good is goodness, and the true worshippers can worship infinite good only through goodness. For example, no one goes directly to the basic meaning of mathematics. He must go by way of its rules or laws. The simple law that two and two are four mediates between the basic meaning of mathematics and the prospective student. Even so no one can go directly to infinite good. He must go by way of goodness, which is the law or attribute of infinite good. That is, he must worship infinite good in the understanding of goodness. Mrs. Eddy has said in Science and Health, "A pure affection takes form in goodness." Then as one entertains an affection for others that is pure and constant, it takes form in goodness, which is an attribute of God. In this simple process he comprehends the law of goodness, and in the understanding of it he reaches to the actual recognition of infinite good. In the same spiritual understanding of divine law shall one worship the God and Father who is Spirit and Truth.

The Comforter

Before Jesus went away he promised us another Comforter. That no misconception might arise, he took the precaution to explain the nature of this promised Comforter. It should not be a man, nor a person, but rather the impersonal "Spirit of truth." He explained farther that the "Spirit of truth" would lead mankind into all truth, even to the very source of truth which is God, and it would testify of him. Now the spirit of Truth is its law,—the law which communicates God's healing power to humanity. That law, moreover, requires a science which can interpret it and be reasonably understood. Since the law is divine, it science must be a divine or Christian science. That is what Christian Science is,—the spiritual understanding of divine law as applied to the needs of humanity. It is not an invention. It is the discovery of what has always been true, and what always must be the real Comforter to suffering humanity.

C.M.A.C. WINNER

The third and final match in a series of three between the members of Club Citoyens-Americains and the C.M.A.C., was held last evening in the C.M.A.C. headquarters in Pawtucket street, the latter organization winning the contest by 19 points. The contest included whist, cribbage, checkers and pool. Last evening's totals were as follows: Whist—C.M.A.C., 220; Cit. Am., 143. Pool — C.M.A.C., 262; Cit. Am. 373. Checkers—C.M.A.C., 10; Cit. Am., 10. Cribbage—C.M.A.C., 3386; Cit. Am., 3427. Grand total—C.M.A.C., 3878; Citoyens-Americains, 3959, a gain of 81 points for the latter organization. The grand total of the three matches was: C.M.A.C., 11,559; Citoyens-Americains, 11,570, a 19-point margin for the C.M.A.C. representatives.

Members of the C.M.A.C. took the honors once more in the whist and established a 10 to 10 deadlock in the checker contests. In the cribbage games Club Citoyens-Americains landed a 41-point margin and nearly whitewashed the C.M.A.C. In the pool contests by taking 373 out of a possible 500. Results in the pool matches were: W. A. Dragon 50, A. Beauchemin of Nashua, N. H., 100, L. Boule, 100, D. Ducharme, 73, A. Hetu, 100, P. Coulombe, 49 and Albert Pichette, 100. Theophile Boule, 65.

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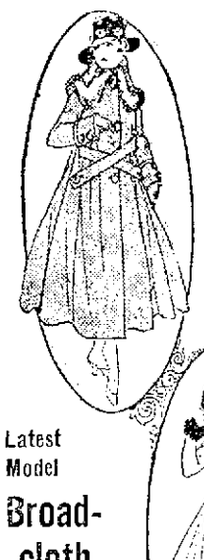


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KEEPING THE DRESSING TABLE NEAT

"Oh dear, I clean my dresser every day and yet it looks dusty and soiled all the time," sighed Marjorie. "It is a lot of work too, to take everything off every day and put them back again."

"Yes, I know," said Marie, "I have noticed how dust seems to collect on the dresser overnight and with the dust is always a lot of talcum powder siftings. It is well nigh impossible to remove all the dresser belongings each day and shake out the cover, but I find that going over the top with a small whisk broom helps matters greatly.

"The idea of having a slab of beveled glass over the embroidery or lace cover does not appeal to many women. It has a coldly neat, but obviously labor saving suggestion, that implies economy in household service, so most dressers are graced with spreads of cretonne, lace embroidery or Swiss, entirely unprotected by glass.

"Cretonne covers are serviceable, but they are not as dainty as covers of embroidery, dotted Swiss or lace trimmed organdie over a lining of colored sateen. This lining should be exactly the size of the sheer cover and not the size of the dresser top. If small metal snap buttons are attacked to the lining and cover at the four corners, the top piece of fabric will not slip or ride over the edge of the dresser as the covers sometime do.

"If cretonne to match curtains or cushions is used to cover the dresser, a strip of white net, first shrunken and pressed out again, should be laid over the cretonne and attached to it around the edges under a fancy edge banding or ball trimming. The veiling of net softens and blends the cretonne colors into a beautiful harmony of delicate tints."

RECOLORING FABRICS AT HOME

"I have a sand colored suit that I wish I knew how to recolor," said Marjorie one morning when making her daily call on her friend Marie. "It is soiled and out of style anyhow now, but the style is all right if I only had it some other color."

"You can do it very easily if you are careful," returned Marie. "Dyeing can be done satisfactorily at home if you will only take plenty of time. First all spots and stains must be removed before dyeing, otherwise a hole may be burned in the material. If it is a grease stain the fat may become more deeply set and hold the dust more than before dyeing.

"Woolen goods should only simmer, not boil violently, and they should not be stirred too frequently for the reason that the tiny hairs would become matted together. Linen requires longer boiling than wool or silk because the fibers are tougher and harder, and the dye takes longer to become permanent. The correct rule is as follows: Woolen goods, gentle simmering; cotton and silk, rather quick boiling; linen fabrics, both long and hard boiling.

"Dyed fabrics must be well rinsed, but it is better not to wring them hard and tight, as some do, thinking they will dry more quickly. They may, but they will dry in streaks. Dry in the shed always, because the setting process goes on during the drying, so if the garments are dried in the sun they will be of uneven color.

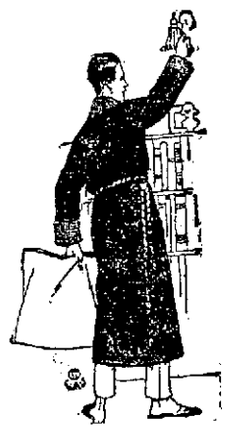
"Cotton and mixed goods absorb the dye somewhat more slowly, than wool, so if these are allowed to cool in the dye bath, the result will be more satisfactory. Ribbons of good quality dye well, and it is quite safe to attempt at home all kinds of cotton goods including laces.

"Plain surfaces take the dye better than those printed or stamped. The figures always remain after dyeing and usually come out in a different tone from the background. Usually, however, the two tones blend well. Never use more dye than is called for in the directions and always strain the dye carefully after mixing and before it is added to the dye pot."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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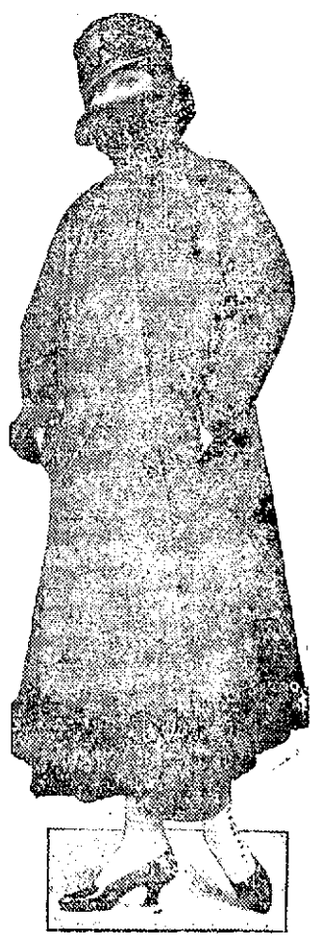


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Today's Fashion Hint



Dark green duvetyn, closed diagonally with bone buttons and trimmed with skunk fur, makes a dashing, practical coat. The bottom is bordered with black velvet under the fur, and the silk collar is reinforced with the velvet also.

SECOND DAY OF FAIR

The second day of the fair of the Women's Auxiliary being held in the Y.M.C.A. building yesterday proved even more successful than the opening day. There was a large number of patrons and all bought generously from the sales tables. A chicken pie supper was served. An entertainment which included vocal selection by Miss Edith Sanders, accompanied by Miss Bernice Libby, readings by W. H. Booth and piano solos by Paul Savage was given.

MONEY FOR STRIKERS

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor council held last night it was voted to donate $35 to the Nashua moulders on strike and a similar sum to the relief of the Springfield corset workers. In the absence of the president and vice president the meeting was presided over by Secretary Charles E. Anderson.

COAL AND ICE COMPANY

The annual meeting of the Manchester Coal & Ice Co., will be held at the C.M.A.C. hall, this city, Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 17, at 2 p. m. It is expected that the meeting will be largely attended for the election of officers will be held and considerable business will be transacted including the report of the secretary, treasurer and general manager.

The present officers of the company are as follows: William Marcotte, Jr., Manchester, N. H., president; Albert J. Precourt, Manchester, treasurer; Geo. Bergeron, Manchester, secretary; Arthur L. Eno, Esq., Lowell, clerk; John T. Levasseur, Manchester, director and Col. William Marcotte, Sr., Manchester, director and general manager.

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CARDINAL O'CONNELL IS 57 YEARS OF AGE TODAY

Congratulatory messages from all over the archdiocese of Boston poured in today on His Eminence, William Cardinal O'Connell on the occasion of his 57th birthday anniversary. In observance of the event the cardinal was the celebrant of the 9 o'clock mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross today. He was attended by the rector, Rev. William J. Finnegan and by the other clergymen of the parish and at the close of the services he gave his blessing to the congregation. The league of Catholic women of which Rt. Rev. Mgr. M. J. Splaine is chaplain attended in a body and through their president, Mrs. Thomas Dwight, presented the cardinal a magnificent hand embroidered silk canopy to be used in processions of the Blessed Sacrament. Many other gifts were sent to the cardinal's residence by hosts of friends and members of his flock.

Cardinal O'Connell was born in Lowell, in an humble cottage on Gorham street, Dec. 8, 1859, and his rise to the position of a prince of the Catholic church has been one of the most remarkable stories, the first chapters of which have been written in this city. When raised to the cardinalate he was one of the youngest in the church, but already his great vigor of mind and body, his scholarly attainments, his zeal and perseverance in all pertaining to his faith have set him apart as one of the most noted figures in the sacred college. His work for organization and federation especially reflects his constructive ability and as his aims have borne fruit he has found a warm place in the hearts of his people.

After attending the Lowell schools, Cardinal O'Connell went to Boston college after graduating from which he entered the American college in Rome in 1881. He was ordained a priest in 1884, appointed rector of the college in 1895; named domestic prelate in 1897 and was appointed bishop of Portland, Me., in 1901. In 1905 he was named as assistant at the pontifical throne and selected by Pope Pius X. as special envoy on a papal mission to the emperor of Japan. In December, 1905, he was given the Grand Cordon of the Sacred Treasure by the mikado and in 1906 he was named archbishop of Constance and coadjutor with succession of Boston. In March, 1906, he succeeded the late Archbishop Williams and was made one of the three American cardinals of the Catholic church. Besides his great labors for church extension and organization he has composed many hymns of great beauty and his addresses and sermons have been collected and published in book form. The cardinal has spoken several times in Lowell and has always declared his love for it and the tenderness with which he recalls his childhood days here. When given a great welcome on his return from Rome as a prince of the church, one of his first visits was to the grave of his parents in St. Patrick's cemetery. Last Sunday His Eminence attended the observance of the centenary of the Oblate order at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in this city. He is still in excellent health.

FEDERAL INVESTIGATION OF HIGH COST OF LIVING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Federal investigation into the high cost of living reached a stage today where officials turned their attention to the form which prosecutions, if undertaken, should assume.

The subject under consideration was said to be the method of proceeding against coal speculators whose activities are believed to have contributed largely to the recent advance.

United States District Attorney Anderson of Boston, in charge of the investigation, called at the White House and will see the president later. The president is continuing his study of preliminary reports with a view to later forming recommendations to congress. The situation was discussed at the meeting of the cabinet.

Mr. Anderson announced that he expected to leave Sunday if possible, for Chicago, where the federal jury is investigating the situation.

In congress the house commerce commission decided to defer action on bills and resolutions relating to the subject until after the holidays.

The interstate commerce commission began preparation of information relating to its recent investigation of car shortage which will be available for use in the food inquiry. Officials believe there is close relation between the car shortage and price advances.

Reports to the department of justice are said to indicate the possibility of collusion among men having large influence in the movement of freight cars and speculators with a view to diverting cars from their normal channels and advancing the prices of products. It was said authoritatively that these reports did not involve the heads of the railroad companies under investigation.

HEARING ON THE B. & M. R. R. RECEIVERSHIP

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Counsel for certain stockholders of the Boston & Maine railroad who are opposed to receivership were not permitted to introduce evidence bearing on the merits of the claim of $1,000,000 of the Hampden railroad in the federal court today.

Judge Morton ruled that evidence in support of the minority contention that fraud and conspiracy entered into the road's receivership would be limited to the terms of the present board of directors which began in October, 1914. The Hampden road, a short connecting line in western Massachusetts was built while Charles S. Mellen was president of the Boston & Maine.

Conrad W. Crooker, counsel for one of the stockholders, who seeks to have the order for temporary receivership vacated, endeavored to introduce evidence in line with the assertion that the present board of directors was informed of the situation affecting the Hampden railroad. He stated that the public service commission of Massachusetts had characterized the claim of the Hampden against the Boston & Maine as fraudulent. After being refused opportunity to develop testimony on this point and several others affecting the Mellen administration, Attorney Crooker made detailed statements as to what he sought to prove. He declared that the interests back of the Hampden claim were now active in trying to bring about reorganization of the Boston & Maine system for the purpose of "taking the Hampden road in out of the rain."

JEERS FOR VENIZELIST PRISONERS

LONDON, Dec. 8.—A Reuter despatch from Athens under date of December 4 says:

"The Venizelist prisoners today were transferred from the parliament house where they had been detained to the Averoff prison. They were led through the Stadium street tied in fours and followed by a jeering crowd."

DROP IN PRICE OF BUTTER

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Boycott agitation, together with the federal investigation of the high prices of food, had considerable effect today on the butter market. Wholesale quotations of creamery butter on the Chicago butter and egg board showed a fall varying from 1-2 to 1 cent on some grades as compared with yesterday.

It was explained that consumption of butter had diminished and that supplies had materially increased.

WAGE INCREASE IN LYNN

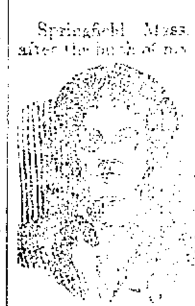
LYNN, Dec. 8.—An agreement by which the so-called cutters employed in 17 factories here will be paid 50c an hour was announced today. It is estimated that between 800 and 1000 men will benefit. A change in trade conditions by which the cutters claimed to be unable to make as much as formerly was said to be the reason for the adjustment which [illegible] piece work system.

POMEROY ASKS PARDON

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Jesse Pomeroy, the only life prisoner in solitary confinement in Massachusetts was given a hearing yesterday at the Charlestown state prison by a sub-committee of the executive council on his petition for a pardon. [illegible] that he would be [illegible] the "solitary" part of his sentence [illegible]

NEWS FROM SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Springfield, Mass.—"Some years ago, after the birth of my first [illegible]



[illegible] pushed my [illegible]. I also [illegible] and Pellets' and found them [illegible] good. Dr. Pierce's medicines [illegible] the very best and I can heartily recommend these remedies to [illegible] or in need of help." [illegible] 19 Girard Ave.

At the first symptoms of [illegible] remedy is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Send 10c for large trial package of tablets.

Tens of thousands of women have taken it with unfailing success [illegible] of a womanly nature.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a true friend to women in times of trial and at times of pain when the organs are not performing their functions. [illegible] headache, hot flashes, catarrhal condition, bearing down sensations, depression, dizziness, fainting spells, [illegible] and exhaustion women should never fail to take this tried and true woman's medicine. Prepared from nature's roots and herbs, it contains no alcohol or narcotic, nor any harmful ingredient. [illegible] tablet or liquid form. Write Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., today. 136-page book *free* on woman's diseases.

[illegible] the prisoners in the institution.

[illegible]

THE AMERICAN SIDE OF NIAGARA FALLS GOING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—[illegible] the American side of Niagara [illegible]

[illegible]

BLOCKADE OF GREECE BEGUN THIS MORNING

[illegible]

GOVERNORS TO MEET AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

[illegible] Washington, D. C. [illegible]

[illegible] Salt Lake City last summer but was detained by the sending of state troops to the border. More than half of the governors and eleven of the governors-elect have responded to the call to be present.

High cost of living and the enforcement of prohibitory laws will be among the topics of discussion.

Governors of four New England states, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont are expected to attend and among the governors-elect who will be present are [illegible], Maine; Henry W. Keyes, New Hampshire and Horace F. Graham, Vermont.

SMALL POX EPIDEMIC IN WATERBURY, CONN.

[illegible], Conn., Dec. 8.—Small-pox [illegible] epidemic in [illegible] according to a report of [illegible] health today. There have been [illegible] and in many instances the malady appeared in such [illegible] form that it was not at first [illegible] as small-pox.

Six new cases were reported from [illegible] today, making a total since [illegible]

In the state as a whole, there are [illegible] the record of the [illegible]

CONG. TRIBBLE DEAD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Representative Samuel J. Tribble, democrat, of Georgia, [illegible] today as the result of a stroke of apoplexy. He was serving his third term in congress.

10,000 PRISONERS ARE TAKEN BY TEUTONS

BERLIN, Dec. 8, by wireless to Sayville.—Attacks made by Russian troops yesterday in the Ludova region in the Carpathians and in the Trotus valley on the northern Rumanian front, were repulsed with heavy losses, the war office announces.

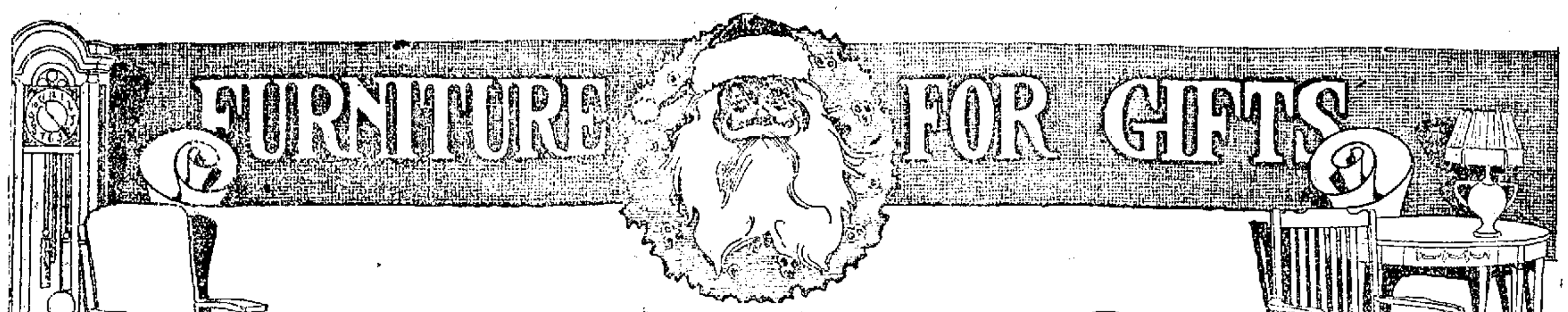
Rumanian troops retreating from the Predeal and Altschanz passes were cut off by Teutonic forces and most of them have been captured. In western Rumania the pursuit is being continued by the Austro-German troops which yesterday took more than 10,000 prisoners.

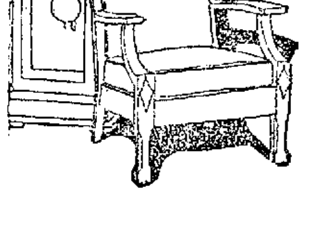
WORKING FOR PROHIBITION

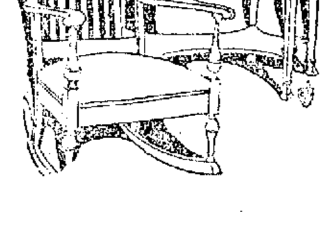
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Co-operation of all national organizations working for the dry cause was sought by the National temperance council, which met here today attended by representatives of the anti-saloon league, prohibition party, Woman's Christian Temperance union, committee of sixty and a number of church bodies. Most of these organizations will hold separate conferences tomorrow and Sunday to plan future work.

WOMEN'S PEACE PARTY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The national women's peace party of which Miss Jane Adams of Chicago is president, opened a three day convention here today. Subjects for discussion include military training, neutral action to shorten the war, unions to enforce peace, war investments and the conditions of dependent nations in the war.

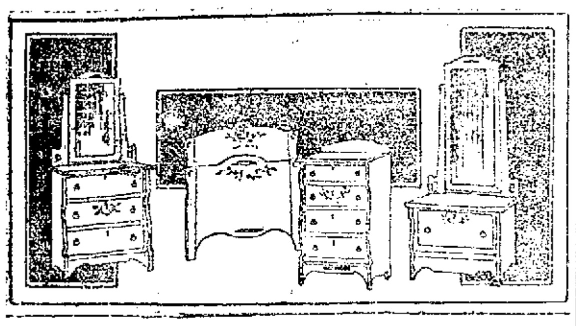






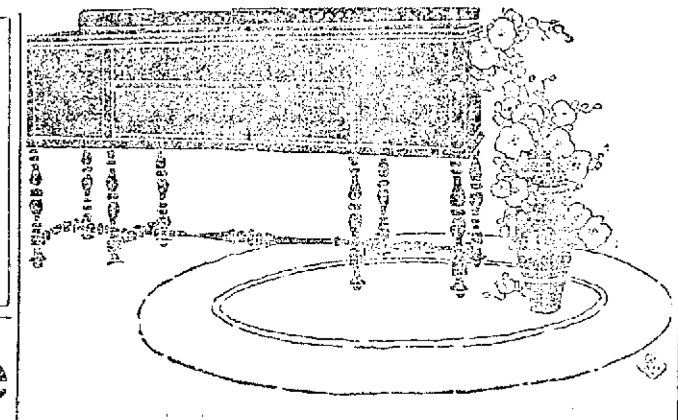
Furniture for the bedroom, for the dining room, for the living room, for the hallway, yes, for the kitchen,

and as Christmas approaches, furniture for gifts! Good sense—with good taste—urges a remembrance that combines the practical with the ornamental. A hundred and one gifts of this nature are ready here!



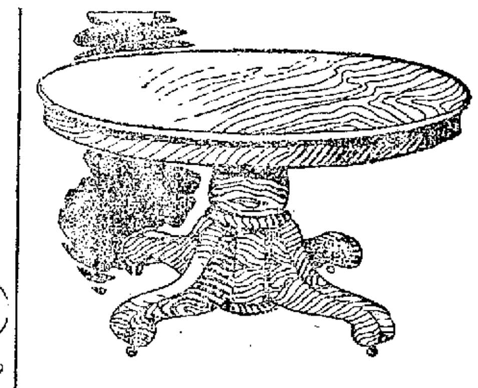
Furniture for the Children

Chairs, Desks, Beds, Doll Carriages, Baby Walkers, and High Chairs at inexpensive prices.



Buffets

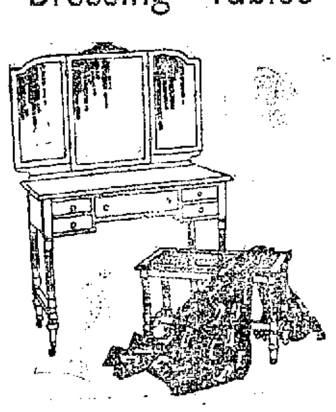
Oak Buffets ....$18.00 to $45.00
Mahogany Buffets ....$35.00 to $85.00



Dining Tables

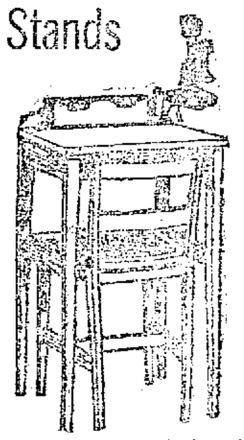
Round Oak Dining Tables ....$10 to $35
Mahogany Dining Tables ....$22 to $54

Ladies' Dressing Tables



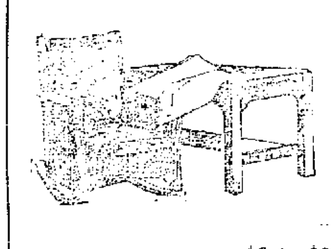
All woods ....$12.50 to $40.00
Chairs and Benches...$3 to $11

Telephone Tables and Stands



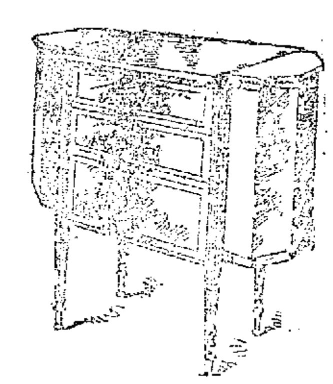
Oak, Mahogany and Fumed Oak ......$4.50 to $9.00

Mission Furniture



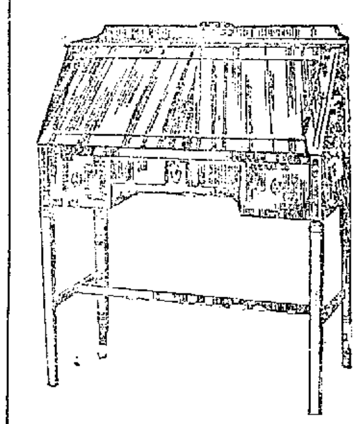
Library Tables ....$6 to $34
Chairs and Rockers....$4 to $25
Smoking Tables ....$1.75 to $10
Footrests ....50c to $5.00

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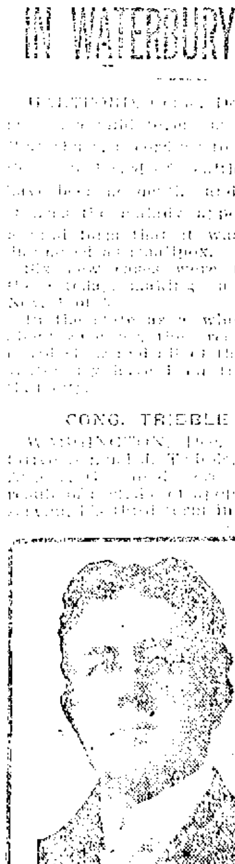
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POPULATION ESTIMATE OF U.S. FOR JAN. 1, 1917

WASHINGTON, Nov. — Population estimates of each of the United States for January 1, 1917, as determined by the bureau of the census which based its calculations upon the increase as shown by the federal censuses of 1900 and 1910, have just been announced as follows:

Continental United States	102,326,509
Alabama	2,348,273
Arizona	259,866
Arkansas	1,773,023
California	2,682,843
Colorado	975,150
Connecticut	1,261,926
Delaware	214,270
District of Columbia	366,681
Florida	901,829
Georgia	2,875,063
Idaho	445,881
Illinois	6,192,626
Indiana	2,826,154
Iowa	2,224,771
Kansas	1,846,707
Kentucky	2,586,866
Louisiana	1,812,642
Maine	771,514
Maryland	1,388,240
Massachusetts	3,747,564
Michigan	3,074,560
Minnesota	2,256,924
Mississippi	1,964,122
Missouri	3,420,153
Montana	455,214
Nebraska	1,277,150
Nevada	108,736
New Hampshire	443,467
New Jersey	2,651,105
New Mexico	416,556
New York	10,366,778
North Carolina	2,428,589
North Dakota	702,266
Ohio	5,181,220
Oklahoma	2,215,585
Oregon	818,566
Pennsylvania	8,501,029
Rhode Island	620,000
South Carolina	1,654,340
South Dakota	707,740
Tennessee	2,296,316
Texas	4,872,494
Utah	438,874
Vermont	364,822
Virginia	2,262,522
Washington	1,565,810
West Virginia	1,398,320
Wisconsin	2,518,558
Wyoming	182,264
Outlying Possessions	
Alaska	64,873
(a) Guam	12,886
Hawaii	217,600
(b) Panama Canal Zone	31,048
Philippine Islands	8,579,999
Porto Rico	1,223,981
(a) Samoa	5,429
(c) Total United States	113,560,285

(a) Enumeration by governor, 1913.
(b) Police census, 1916.
(c) Includes 45,125 persons in military and naval service stationed abroad.

WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

To the woman who persists in ruing her hair by the use of a hot iron, Hortense gives the following advice: Rub the scalp twice a week with a little olive oil to make the hair grow. Do not use curling iron on the hair again. Get electric curlers and do the hair up on them for two or three hours and you will find it nicely curled.

A home made dye to darken hair which has faded from a brown is made from two ounces of walnut shells, quarter of an ounce of alum, and four ounces of olive oil. Heat together in a water bath until the water has been completely evaporated, then filter and perfume.

A good formula for too oily hair is made from alcohol two ounces witch hazel two ounces and fourteen grains of resorcin. Use daily, rubbing well into the scalp.

Hortense says because your mothers and grandmothers' mouth curved downward at the corners is no excuse for yours doing likewise. A contented mind and cheerful disposition has a wonderful effect on the mouth. Stand before your mirror and note the effect of different expressions on the corners of your mouth.

Learn to keep the lips closed but not pressed firmly together, or drawn down at the corners. Don't have a perpetual smile but cultivate a pleasant expression and the corners will then incline up instead of down. Your mirror is a good teacher.

For the complexion eat an orange before your breakfast and three during the day. They will act as a laxative, aid digestion and clear the skin. Masticate all food thoroughly and take a brisk walk of at least a mile every day regardless of the weather, and dress according to the weather.

When packing for a trip always remember, says Hortense, to put all the heaviest things at the bottom of the trunk. Evening dresses, perishable waists and all such dainty things should be put on top where you can reach them. Hang them up as soon as you trunks arrive at your destination. A hat trunk is not a necessity. Put your hat on the top tray of your trunk and secure it with push pins to the bottom. Unless the brim is wide this will do no harm.

Stuff the bodies of waists, light dresses, etc., with tissue paper. Roll the paper into light balls, never tightly. The result should look like an article just sent from the cleaner's.

Eight or nine hours' sleep is, at the most, all that a woman should need. More sleep will only produce heavilness and langour. Even after a prolonged loss of rest one should not sleep more than ten hours at one time, even for one night.

If you want rosy cheeks you will have to be careful of your diet. Eat simple, nourishing foods, avoid pastries, sweets and all rich and spicy foods and oily meats such as pork and veal. Drink milk, cocoa and chocolate instead of tea and coffee. Pure air, pure water, and pure food are the first essentials to a pure complexion. So are sunlight, out of door exercises and sleep. A cheerful disposition has much to do with one's health.

Pimples on the face are very often the result of impure blood. The old fashioned remedy of sulphur and molasses is an excellent remedy for this annoyance and bar to beauty. Mix two tablespoons of sulphur to one of molasses and take a tablespoon each morning before breakfast for three mornings. Then stop for a morning and take it again in the same periods for about two weeks. During this time be careful of your diet.

When using the eyes constantly one should be very careful of the light, which should always fall over the left shoulder. At night before one begins to use the eyes wet a soft cloth with hot water, lay it on the eyes and lie flat on the back for ten minutes. Then bathe the eyes with cold water. Nothing is harder on the eyes than to have the light facing you directly.

The electric needle is the only satisfactory way to shape the brows. If the face is round and full they should not be shaped too narrow. A slender face can wear a narrow brow. In every case they must be arched more or less and all the uneven hairs removed. If the brows are thin use a little vaseline on them every night. Brush it in very carefully just where you want the hair to grow.

Do not ever pick blackheads as that is likely to cause unsightly pimples and sores. Wash the face in hot water and use a pure soap freely on it. Apply cloths wrung from hot water until the pores are well open, then rub in a good cold cream to soften the skin. Now, with a flat, blunt instrument like a watch key, press gently on each blackhead and the dirt will roll out.

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THE MERRIMACK NEEDS 18 FOOT CHANNEL

Special to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—"The Merrimack river needs an 18 foot channel at least," said Hon. John N. Cole, chairman of the Massachusetts waterways commission at a hearing before the board of army engineers today. The hearing was on an appeal taken by Congressman Greene of Fall River in an adverse report for improvements on the Taunton river, but a question by Col. Abbott, who was presiding, turned the talk for a few minutes aside from the main topic to the Merrimack river.

Mr. Cole had stated that Massachusetts endorsed the Taunton project and asked that a 12 foot channel be secured unless one of greater depth could be obtained. "Would a 12 foot depth be sufficient for the Merrimack?" interrupted Col. Abbott. "The Merrimack is an entirely different proposition," replied Mr. Cole. "The tremendous manufacturing and other industrial interests along the Merrimack which are already established make at least an 18 foot channel desirable." Mr. Cole then spoke in brief detail of the great industries along the banks of the Merrimack and told what the state was doing for its waterways, and it was then that Col. Abbott paid a high tribute to the generosity and loyalty of Massachusetts, saying, "I wish all states were as loyal and patriotic as is Massachusetts." RICHARDS.

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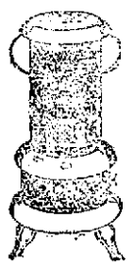
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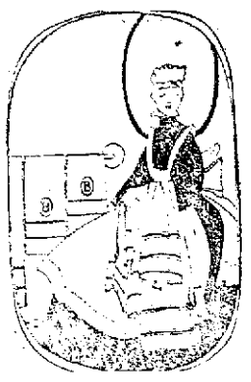
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MAJ. GEN. SCOTT SAYS VOLUNTEER MILITARY SYSTEM A FAILURE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The volunteer military system again has proved itself a failure and should be relegated to the past, declares Major-General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army, in his annual report made public last night. Basing his conclusions on the showing of the federalized national guard, when mobilized for border duty, and the fact that strenuous recruiting campaigns for both the regulars and guardsmen have produced negligible results, General Scott says:

"In my judgment, the country will never be prepared for defense until we do as other great nations do that have large interests to guard, like Germany, Japan and France, where everybody is ready and does perform military service in time of peace as he would pay every other tax, and is willing to make sacrifices for the protection he gets and the country gets in return. There is no reason why one woman's son should go out and defend or be trained to defend another woman and her son who refuses to take training or give service. The only democratic method is for every man in his youth to become trained in order that he may render edicient service if called upon in war."

Taking up the question of the National Guard in its federal status, General Scott declares the training period of 75 days in three years provided by the new [illegible] wholly inadequate.

"In my judgment," he says, "it precludes this force from being made fit for war service until it has received at least six months' additional training in time of war."

Takes Year to Make Soldier

The report reiterates the opinion that it takes a year of intensive training to make a soldier and adds that the country and congress appear to have a vital misconception of the facts in this regard. Unless the federalized guard which congress substituted for the citizen volunteer army advocated by the general staff can be given greater training, General Scott says, the country faces a serious situation.

"And it is very doubtful," he continues, "if we will be able to do so and keep the force recruited. The difficulty that is now being experienced in obtaining recruits for the regular army and for the National Guard in service on the border, raises sharply the question of whether we will be able to recruit the troops authorized in the national defense act."

In spite of the fact that the preparedness agitation stimulated interest while the effort now being made to bring the border forces up to war strength, General Scott asserts, three months of recruiting left many national guard units still below minimum strength. Every effort was made to get the men, he says, a house-to-house canvass being conducted in some sections.

"The failure," says the report, "should make the whole people to realize that the volunteer system does not and probably will not give up either the men we need for training in peace or for service in war."

Statistics on Mobilization

General Scott gives at length statistics on the National Guard mobilization available when his report was written September 30. He shows that in eleven states with 16,600 enrolled guardsmen at the time of the call, more than 10 per cent. failed to respond and 20 per cent. of the remainder could not pass required physical tests, making the force 42 per cent. raw recruits when it went to the border. Brought up to war strength, he says, the force would have been 75 per cent. green men and useless for war purposes for many months.

"These figures probably hold good for the entire body of the National Guard," the report adds.

An aggregate force of 451,096 officers and men of the guard were mustered into the federal service under the call and about 110,957 were on the border a month and a half after the call was issued. The general commends highly the efficiency of the railroads in handling the mobilization.

Turning to recruiting in the regular army, the report says that the service was 29,130 short of its authorized strength on August 31, last. Between March 15, when congress authorized bringing the army up to war strength by adding 20,000 men and August 31, only 8,463 additional men were enrolled.

"It is cause for very sober consideration on the part of every citizen of the country, when the fact is fully understood," General Scott says that "the units of the National Guard and the regular army have not been recruited up to war strength in the crisis we have just passed through."

The report shows that the mobilized National Guard force not only was more than 97,000 below war strength, but was more than 4,000 below authorized minimum peace strength.

General Scott urges a drastic censorship law to protect military secrets in time of war and submits with his approval the draft of a proposed statute drawn by a special board of army and navy officers. It would authorize the president to prohibit publication of facts, rumors or speculations regarding military matters except when passed by a censor, the penalty being a fine of not more than $10,000, or imprisonment not to exceed three years or both where a man or officer or agent of a corporation is involved, or a fine of $20,000 where a corporation is involved.

Brig. Gen. Weaver's Report

The report of Brigadier-General Weaver, chief of coast artillery, which accompanies that of General Scott, says that with slight additional increases over the 264 guns proposed to be added to the coast defenses in the program approved by congress last year, "the coast defenses will be able to meet successfully any attack that can reasonably be expected to be made upon them or upon the cities, harbors or interests that they guard by the most powerful warships afloat or at present projected."

General Weaver points out, however, that national guard units of the corps are 166 officers and 6,162 men short of their prescribed complement. The coast states of New Jersey, Delaware, Florida, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas, he says, have raised no troops for this service.

Judge Advocate-General Crowder in his report also made public, reviews desertion records for eight years back to show that the 1916 figure was the lowest during that time. The true percentage was 1.81, he says, although the reported figure was 2.4. The lowest previous record was 1.93 in 1911.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Boys of Parish and Boy Scouts Guests of Men of the Round Table Last Night

The Men of the Round Table of the First Baptist church acted as hosts to the boys of the parish and 150 Boy Scouts last night. The evening was spent in a very enjoyable manner. An excellent supper was served during the early part of the evening and this was followed by a demonstration by various Boy Scout troops of this city and suburbs.

Gray's Banjo-Mandolin orchestra furnished a pleasing musical program during the supper.

F. E. Kimball, president of the Men of the Round Table, had general charge of the affair and its success was due in a large measure to his zealous and untiring work.

Luther W. Faulkner, commissioner of the Boy Scouts of this district and Field Executive J. Kiberd, were present and about 150 other members of the troops. The first number given after the supper was the demonstration of tenderfoot work by the members of Troop 18 of the First Baptist church, directed by Scoutmaster Harry L. Woodman. Assistant Scoutmaster E. H. Gunther and members of Troop 11 of Drscut exemited the setting up exercises and gave a good demonstration of life saving, while Scoutmaster William Radeliff and members of troop of the Chelmsford Street Baptist church gave a demonstration of general bandaging and Boy Scout games. J. R. Kiberd, assistant scoutmaster of Troop 15, gave a demonstration of fire-making and R. G. Carlson of Troop 18 gave an exhibition of advanced first-aid work. The entire program proved unusually interesting and was greatly appreciated by the audience.

The supper was served by the members of the Ladies' Benevolent society of the church, of which Mrs. Gilman Allcott is president. The pastor, Rev. A. C. Archibald, spoke briefly to the boys.

ALPHABET FAIR

St. Anne's Parish House Scene of Great Activity Yesterday — Entertainment by Guild of St. Cecilia

Luncheon at noon and minstrels in the evening were the features of the second day of the Alphabet fair at St. Anne's parish house yesterday. The attendance during the afternoon and evening was large and this event has proven to be one of the most successful ever conducted in aid of the church.

The excellent luncheon from noon until two o'clock yesterday afternoon attracted a large number of people and the three rooms on the first floor were transformed into dining rooms and over 200 people discussed an excellent menu.

The principal attraction last night was the entertainment given by the girls of the Guild of St Cecilia. It took the form of a minstrel show, announced as "Aunt Jemima's Minstrels," and every member of the chorus was made up to resemble the colored woman who made the flapjacks famous.

The end "men" were Gladys Kenyon, Irene Mellen, Lillian Crosshaw, Clara Watson, Edith Crosshaw and Edith Dainton. Miss Mary Campbell was interlocutor. Miss Amy Williams, the pianist, was pleasantly remembered by the guild girls, who presented her a beautiful bouquet of chrysanthemums.

The musical program was as follows:

Overture, "Keep the Home Fires Burning," chorus; "My Own Iona," Gladys Kenyon; "Turn Back the Universe," Lillian Ashworth; "There's a Quaker Down in Quaker Town," Clara Watson; "Mighty Lak a Rose," Gertrude Verloore; "It's Nice to Get Up in the Morning," Alice Miller; "And They Called it Dixie Land," Sophie Hughes; "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," Rose Reay; "Yaka Hula Hickey Dula," Irene Mellen; "Take Me to My Alabam," Edith Dainton; "In the Sweet Long Ago," Nellie Astbury; "Where is My Mamma?" Elsie Wilkinson; "When Evening Shadows Fall," Mabel Dickson; finale, "A Perfect Day," Margaret Clough and chorus.

Just previous to the minstrel overture, 20 or more of the younger girls, members of the Guild of St. Agnes, sang "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" and "Just a Song at Twilight." They were led by Alex Williams, who also directed the minstrels.

PRES. WILSON TO GO WEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Wilson is seriously considering making a trip west next spring.

When invited yesterday by Speaker Clark to speak before the School of Journalism of Missouri university in May, the president said that if possible he would like to visit the west after congress adjourned in March and that if he did so he would accept the invitation.

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SPECIAL ROOM FOR WHITE HOUSE CHINA COLLECTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. —The famous White House collection of china, containing specimens from the table service of all the presidents except two has been placed in a room specially prepared for it, under the supervision of Mrs. Wilson in the executive mansion. It is Mrs. Wilson's intention to increase the collection, if possible, and the specimens have been so placed in cabinets as to leave room for expansion. The new room was prepared while the president and his family were at Shadow Lawn for the summer.

Before leaving for Shadow Lawn Mrs. Wilson went over plans for the change with Mrs. Abby Gunn Baker, in charge of the collection, and instructed her to select some of the pieces of old china, glass and plate, which were stored in White House closets, and place them in the new cabinet.

While the collection, which Mrs. Baker has been building up for several years, includes pieces from every president except two, some administrations are represented inadequately, and she is continuing her work in the hope of making it really representative.

Eventually the walls of the room are to be lined with cabinets for the collection, but at present only the first line has been put in. It extends the entire length of the room and is in harmony with the architecture of the White House interior modeled after the Georgian period. The woodwork is of ivory white. The shelves are lined with handsome velvet, which gives a perfect background for the china as well as for the silver and glass. The furniture of the room is a part of the set, used in the East room during the administration of President McKinley, and is upholstered in brocaded satin of a light yellow tint.

Mrs. Baker made a search of the historic ware already in the White House, and placed in the central section of the new cabinet some of the oldest pieces of silver and glass in the mansion. The Washington and John Adams relics are also displayed from the center to the right. On the left of the cabinet the relics are arranged in chronological order, of presidential administrations. Mrs. Baker is in correspondence with a number of the presidential descendants who are contemplating gifts to the collection.



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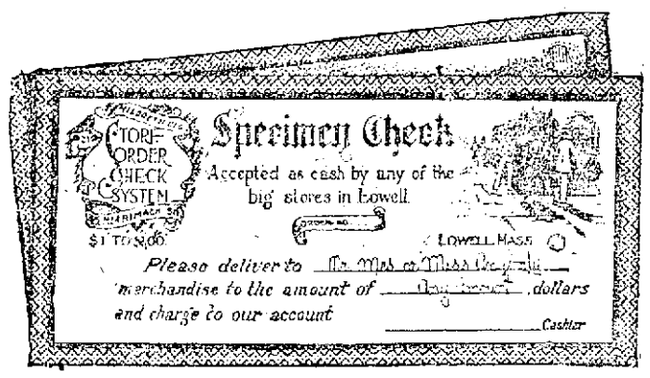
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DANIELS SAYS U.S. MUST CONTINUE TO INCREASE ITS NAVAL POWER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Until all nations agree to reduce their armament, the United States must continue to increase its naval power, Secretary Daniels declares in his annual report, made public last night, and which urges that funds be appropriated at once to begin building 42 additional ships.

"I feel it my duty to warn as solemnly as I may," the secretary says after reciting the high expenditures for the navy authorized at the last session of congress, "against the danger that lies in a possible feeling on the part of our people that the navy has now been attended to, has been placed where it belongs, among the great navies of the world, and there is nothing further to be done. Complacent retrospection is the father of dry rot. We have made a magnificent beginning, but it must not be forgotten by the public that the same intelligent appreciation of our needs, the same willingness to provide for these needs, must be shown this year and every succeeding year if we are to finish what we have commenced."

Secretary Daniels recalls that the 1917 appropriation bill carries provision for a possible limitation of armament agreement.

"I earnestly hope the time is not far distant when this act of congress will result in such an agreement," he continues, "and that the nations of earth will have the statesmanship to devise effective means of preserving the world's peace without constantly building ever increasing dreadnaughts at ever increasing cost. Until that hour arrives, the United States cannot safely adopt any policy other than that of continuing the policy of steadily increasing its naval strength."

Picturing the result of construction now contemplated, Secretary Daniels says the main fighting elements of the fleet, completed and in commission in 1921, will be 27 dreadnaughts of the first line, supported by six battle cruisers, 25 second line battleships, 13 scout cruisers, 108 destroyers, 12 fleet submarines and 150 coast defense submersibles. While there is no possibility of predicting what rank among the naval powers the country will then take, he adds, the authorization of such a program has been accepted as assurance that the United States has definitely embarked on the policy of building an adequate navy.

The secretary devotes much attention to discussion of the problems encountered by the department in getting the new ships laid down. Building facilities and skilled labor are lacking, he says, and the program he has recommended for 1918, featured by three battleships and one battle cruiser, will tax private and public plants to their utmost, even with the increased building equipment authorized for navy yards. It was for that reason, the secretary adds, that he did not follow the general board's recommendation and urge that the four of the six remaining battleships of the three year program and both of the battle cruisers be laid down at once.

The board states in its report accompanying that of the secretary, that its information as to building facilities indicates the 1918 program outlined could be built. It also recommends the addition of twelve mine sweepers, one supply ship and two seagoing tugs to the total of the 156-ship three-year program.

Secretary Daniels indicates clearly the difficulties faced by the department, however, in the following language:

"The last naval bill does not give to the department any additional or extraordinary powers in connection with placing the contracts for these vessels or in obtaining materials for their construction. It is hoped that the necessity will not arise of having to ask for such powers, as a number of ship builders and manufacturers have shown an attitude of willingness to assist the department in meeting the unusual situation created by the desire of the country to commence and to expedite an entirely unprecedented naval program at a time when the industrial resources of the country are already taxed to their utmost capacity in meeting the demands of tremendous trade activity, both domestic and foreign. In every branch of business. It may be necessary, however, for congress to enact legislation of this character to insure the early completion of the program of construction."

The report touches briefly on many activities of the navy department and commends highly the new organization and co-ordination that is being effected by Admiral Benson, chief of operations. In addition to the report of the general board, a full statement by Admiral Benson is appended, showing the rapid progress being made in every line of development. The most disappointing feature of the year, according to the general board and Admiral Benson, has been the slow progress with development of naval aircraft.

"Undoubtedly much preliminary work has been done experimentally which does not show," the board says, "but the application of this very important branch of the service to the practical uses of the fleet has not yet been fully developed. Satisfactory aircraft do not appear as yet to be available for use with the fleet."

The board recommends a new organization of the flying service under a directing officer in the office of the chief of operations. While admitting the slowness of aeronautical development, Admiral Benson expresses the hope that a big machine designed and built by the navy and now under test may solve the problems encountered.

The report shows that the navy now has seventeen aeroplanes in active service and that 60 more have been ordered. In addition, several French and British made machines have been ordered.

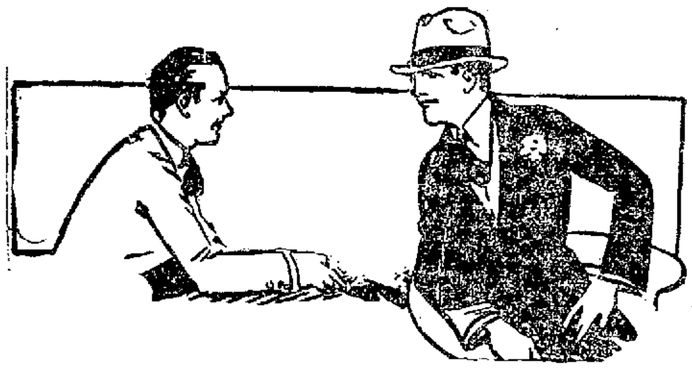
In its brief review of the European war, the general board finds nothing to warrant modification of its previous belief that the battleship is "the backbone of the sea power of a nation." For this reason, the report adds, the board has determined that the number, power and size of the guns to be placed aboard new battleships should be increased without sacrificing armor, speed or cruising radius. Larger ships must be built to contain all these characteristics, the report continues, and for the 1918 ships, the board has recommended "the most powerful battery which it believes can be constructed having due regard to the present state of the art of building heavy ordnance in this country."

It is shown that the batteries decided upon to meet these requirements will be 12 16-inch, 50 caliber guns for each ship. A test gun is now being built.

Discussing enlistments in the navy, Secretary Daniels shows that congress has authorized an immediate increase of 26,000 men, only 2,524 of whom have been obtained.

"Here again he new and serious problems," he says. "More than ordinary methods must be used to persuade young men to decline countless opportunities opening before them in commercial life in favor of service with the government.

"Were it not for the gratifying results in enlistments already shown, as a result of the policy of the last few years of offering educational advantages, particularly along technical lines, to our recruits, I would feel indeed that the problem of securing the men authorized for our fleets was an almost hopeless one. As it is I feel sure it will be solved, but it is still a problem and what I desire in this report is to warn the public against considering that the mere passage of laws authorizing additional men is equivalent to having these men actually on board our ships."



An Everyday Conversation

Time—Anytime
Place—Anywhere

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Bill: Yes, how do you like it?

Jack: Great! How much?

Bill: How much do you think?

Jack: $25 at least.

Bill: Nope! $15.

Jack: It can't be done.

Bill: Sure it can. It's a P&Q

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Bill: Well! This is the way I've got it figured out. They've got 20 stores thruout the country, this means a big reduction in operating expenses and a big increase in purchasing power. These stores own their own tailoring plant in New York. With a big volume of business direct from maker-to-wearer they have got the advantage over the other merchants in town who have only one store and have to buy their clothes from some manufacturer. You see, the P&Q Shop makes its own clothes and sells 'em to you at the same price the advertised brands of clothing are sold to the ordinary merchant.

Jack: I get you! It's just like going to the clothing manufacturer himself and getting a suit at wholesale.

Bill: That's the idea. You save **$5** to **$10** every time you buy a P&Q **$15** Suit or Overcoat.

Jack: How about the variety of the P&Q Shop?

Bill: Twice as many as any other shop in town, and when I say that I mean—in styles, sizes and patterns.

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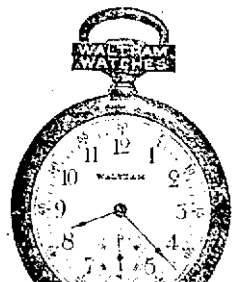
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AMERICANS ARE STRANDED IN SYRIA

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 8.—Steps are now being taken here whereby the return home of such American citizens as are stranded in Syria may be effected if the Turkish government will permit their return.

One hundred of more such Americans are now marooned in Syria and Congressman Winslow of the fourth Massachusetts district has this week been in conference with the state department as to means of bringing them home. Among the number is a Worcester woman who is now in Syria with her son, who was born in Worcester, and neither have been able to secure transportation back to the United States.

The U. S. collier Caesar will sail tomorrow, taking relief supplies to the Syrians under Red Cross auspices and it has been suggested that the collier might bring back the stranded American citizens on its return trip. The cruiser Des Moines is now at Alexandria and it has been suggested that the Des Moines might go to Jaffa and take them on board and convey them to Italy where they could secure passage to this country. Or perhaps both suggestions might be carried out jointly. But a snag is possibly in the way if the report is true that Turkey will not permit any persons to leave that country, even on United States battleships. The state department is said to have cabled the American ambassador to inquire into the matter. If Turkey has refused to permit the United States to bring home its citizens on its own ships serious complications may follow. Col. Winslow has, however, arranged that if possible, the Worcester woman will be brought back and arrangements for the quick return of others now in Syria also be made.

RICHARDS.

Plant Juice Has Made Him Like New

Lewis A. Lovering, of 82 Park View Ave., Lowell, Had Indigestion and Dyspepsia

That Plant Juice is repeating its success here, is proven by the large number of local testimonials received daily from people in signed statements, telling of the great benefit they have received from its use.



LEWIS A. LOVERING.

Not a day passes but what numbers of Lowell people call to thank The Plant Juice Man for what his remedy has done for them, and to congratulate him on his phenomenal success in Lowell.

Only the other day Mr. Lewis A. Lovering, who resides at No. 82 Park View avenue, and is a well known blacksmith of this city, having lived here all of his life, stated:

"I have been troubled for the past ten years with indigestion and dyspepsia; had headaches, dizzy spells, could not sleep at night and got very weak and completely run down. Almost everything I ate would cause me distress and I was badly bloated with gas, had night sweats and my liver and kidneys were out of order; I was badly constipated and had taken all kinds of medicine but never got any permanent relief, until I began to take your Plant Juice. I now sleep well at night, and can eat anything I want and digest it, am not constipated and it has put my liver and kidneys in fine condition. I have gained in weight and never felt better in my life. Plant Juice has made me well and I am glad to recommend it to others."

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The Plant Juice Man is at The Dows Drug Store, in Merrimack Sq., where he is daily meeting the local public and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy.

On Saturday he will remain at the store until 10 p. m. to meet those who are unable to call during the day.

JAMES W. OSBORNE AND "OLIVER OSBORNE"

For six hours Charles H. Wax, late of Chicago and the world at large, sat or stood in the office of Assistant United States District Attorney Roger B. Wood in the federal building, New York city, while nearly a dozen persons identified him as Oliver Osborne, wooer of women, notably Rae Tanzer of New York city who, mistakenly or otherwise, said he was none other



UPPER—JAMES W. OSBORNE. LOWER: "OLIVER" OSBORNE.

than James W. Osborne, the lawyer, and according to said Mr. Osborne for $50,000 for breach of promise to wed, with resultant ... complications and indictments.

Rae Tanzer and her sisters were not wrong, "they persist." But Mr. Osborne was ... N. Snowden Marshall, United States attorney, said, "It would be a very absent minded ... indeed who would get Wax mixed up with James W. Osborne."

SLEEPYTIME TALES

GRANDMOTHER'S MEMORIAL DAY

"Once upon a time," said grandmother, and Beth ran to her crying, "Are you going to tell us the story you promised?" Grandmother smiled and said "I guess so," as she took off her glasses and Ned ran to get her little piece of chamois for her to polish them with.

"Once upon a time," she began, "when I was a little girl I had an uncle who had fought in the Civil war. He lived in a white house on a hill and I was very fond of going up there and hearing the stories he would tell me. A week before Memorial day I went up to see him and he took out again the old faded blue suit and the wide brimmed hat he had worn so many times, to show to me."

"'Would you like to help on Memorial day?' he asked, and I could hardly say yes, I was so happy. He told me that they had arranged for some little girls to carry some of the flowers and hand to the men as they were wanted and he said I could be one of them.

"When the day came I was awake long before light and soon after breakfast I was all dressed in my white dress with pink ribbons on my hair ready to start. There were several other little girls and we marched along side by side, our hands filled with wreaths and bouquets. Everybody cheered as we passed and when we reached the soldiers' monument in the centre of the village we almost covered it with the flowers.

"After this we went and listened to the Memorial address, but, I am afraid, children, I was thinking more of the ice cream and cake uncle promised me than what the man was saying. When it was through we went to the town hall and had ice cream and cake and then I went home to dream how I had helped to celebrate Memorial day.

"I wish I had been there to march with the men," said Ned, but Beth only asked: "Grandmother, can't we have ice cream next Memorial day?"

BABY GRACE'S SUITCASE

Once upon a time Thurston woke up one morning with the warm sun shining on his fat legs. He sat up, looked over where his twin sister Anita was sleeping and said, "I wish we were at the beach, it's so hot here." Now Anita was only half a sleep and she turned over and said: "I wish so, too. I want to paddle."

The children's mother always moved them to the beach as soon as she could in the spring for they all enjoyed it and the three children were so much better there. When the children came down for their breakfast their mother said: "Listen, children, we are going to move to the beach next week. Now, during this week you must get the toys you want to take with you and pack your 'little' suitcases so as to help mother all you can, for I shall be very busy."

Each of the twins had been given a little suitcase with their initials on one end and they were very proud of them. It was the first real trip they had taken since they had owned them and they were very excited and asked if they could carry them all by themselves.

All day long the children were busy getting their things ready and even Baby Grace carried her pet doll and asked Anita to pack it with her things, but when it was time to take a nap she unpacked it and carried it off to bed with her where others heard her talking to it about going to the "bee" in a suitcase.

"Let's make Baby Grace a suitcase," said Thurston one day and he and Anita started to fix one before Baby Grace woke up. Anita found an old pasteboard shoe box and their mother sewed one side of the cover to the box. Thurston made a catch out of a hairpin and Anita found an old hair ribbon that they used for a handle. When Baby Grace woke up there, close beside her, was a new suitcase.

When the children showed her how it opened and how it locked and just where she was to lay her doll, Baby Grace was as pleased with her suitcase as though it were, as Anita said, "a really and truly one," and that is how the three children all had suitcases for the beach when they were ready to go.

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MORE RUMANIANS ARE CAPTURED BY TEUTONS

Further important captures of Rumanian troops are announced today by Berlin in the work of gathering in prisoners. The total for which figures are given, including a force of 8000 trapped in western Wallachia, the fate of which was a foregone conclusion, is approximately 18,000 men, together with 26 guns.

Cutting Off Ruman Forces

In addition, however, the German war office reports the cutting off of the Rumanian forces which were operating in the Predeal and Altchanz pass regions along the Rumanian northern frontier. These troops were prevented from successfully retreating by the swift drive of the invaders to the south across the Ploechti-Bucharest railway line which took them in the rear and the most of them already have been captured.

Russo-Rumanians Retreat

The situation north and east of Bucharest, following the surrender of the capital, has not yet been clarified by the official reports. Seemingly the Rumanians and such Russian troops as were aiding them are still on the retreat northeastward, rapidly leaving the remainder of southeastern Wallachia in the hands of Field Marshal von Mackensen and military commentators for the most part do not expect a stand to be made by the Rumanians before the line of the Buzeu river is reached.

This line virtually closes the neck of the province of Moldavia, running eastward from the Hungarian frontier to Galatz on the lower Danube, near the Bessarabian border. It is regarded as a strong defensive line and one easily susceptible of reinforcement from Russian sources.

French Re-take Trenches

On the Franco-Belgian front the only recent operation of note has been in the Verdun region, where the Germans yesterday claimed the capture of the summit of Hill 304 west of the Meuse. Today Paris announces that the Germans have been driven from "a section of the trenches on the eastern slopes of Hill 304," which they had occupied.

Bulgars and Serbs in Battle

In Macedonia the Bulgarians are violently contesting the efforts of the Serbians to make further advances east of Monastir. Paris reports heavy counter attacks on the Serbian positions in the Stravina region, east of the Cerna, on Wednesday night which are declared to have been sharply repulsed.

TWO ITALIAN SEAPLANES WERE IN RAID OVER TRIESTE

ROME, Dec. 8, via Paris—Two Italian seaplanes raided Trieste on Thursday, according to an official statement issued by the admiralty. The statement says the raiders dropped five bombs on naval sheds and returned unharmed although subjected to a heavy fire from the Austrian anti-aircraft guns.

NEW BOARD OF TRADE COMMITTEE

A new committee of the board of trade will take up the work of a local "America First" campaign.

This committee held its first meeting this noon to meet H. H. Wheaton, the federal government immigrant education expert at the Yorick club.

Those present were Jude C. Waddleigh, of the Merrimack Mfg. Co., Albert D. Milliken of the Hamilton Mfg. Co., Capt. Thomas B. Doe of the United States Cartridge Co., William A. Mitchell of the Massachusetts cotton mills, George Stevens of the United States Bunting Co., Mayor James E. O'Donnell, Superintendent of Schools Hugh J. Molloy, Principal John J. Mahoney of the State Normal school, President Robert F. Marden of the board of trade, Secretary John H. Murphy of the board of trade and Mr. Wheaton. Other members of the committee are Elmer D. Bowen of the Appleton Co., and E. W. Thomas of the Boott mills.

The committee listened to Mr. Wheaton's outline of the plan which a local committee could adopt. It was agreed that the committee should be enlarged and that every employing industry in Lowell should be urged to join in the movement. A census of the employes is to be taken which will show the number of non-English speaking workers.

JUDGE WARNS RIOTERS LAW MUST BE OBEYED

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Judge Murray yesterday issued a warning to aliens coming to this country that the laws of the city and of the nation must be obeyed and respected if the newcomers wish to enjoy the benefits of their adopted land. The brief address on the duties and rights of citizenship came at the preliminary hearing of defendants in the North square rioting case in the Central court.

"There is but one flag floating over all of us," said Judge Murray. "We all have rights but some people have the wrong conception of American freedom and of the respect they owe to American laws. This is a serious case, and it matters not if bail in some of the instances went up to a million dollars."

This was his response to the statement of Attorney Cronin that if the police officers placed many more charges against some of the defendants alleged to be implicated in the riot of Wednesday night, that bail would total to about $100,000, and that it would be impossible to get.

DYNAMITE TO CHECK FIRE AT ST. GEORGE, N. B.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 8.—Dynamite was used to check the progress of a fire which destroyed 17 buildings, including a number of stores with a property loss of about $75,000 today at St. George, on the Canadian Pacific railway's shore line division.

TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	35¼	34½	34½
Am Beet Sugar	107	105¼	106¼
Am Can	62⅛	62⅛	62⅛
Am Can pfd	113¼	112¾	112¾
Am Car & Fdy	77¾	76½	77¼
Am Car & Fd pf	119	119	119
Am Cot Oil	54	54	54
Am Hide & L Com	16⅝	16½	16½
Am Hide & L pf	79⅛	78	78
Am Locomo	94	90¼	93½
Am Locomo pf	107⅞	107⅞	107⅞
Am Smelt & R	116⅛	115¾	116
Am Smelt & R pf	116⅛	116⅛	116⅛
Am Sugar Rfn	115½	114⅞	115½
Anaconda	98⅝	98	98½
Atchison	106½	106⅜	106⅜
Atchison pf	100½	100½	100½
Baldwin Loco	81¼	79¾	80⅜
Balt & Ohio	86	85⅝	85⅞
Balt & Ohio pf	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝
Beth Steel	660	618	635
Bkn Rap Tran	84⅝	84½	84⅝
Cal Pete	25½	27	27
Cal Pete pf	62	59⅝	59⅝
Canadian Pa	188	187	187
Cast I Pipe Com	27⅜	27	27⅛
Cast I Pipe pf	65	65	65
Cent Leather	112⅝	110½	112¼
Cent Leather pf	117	116	117
Ches & Ohio	68½	67¾	67¾
Chic R I & Pac	40	39	39½
Chi & Gt W Com	16¼	15⅞	16¼
Chi & Gt W pf	46½	44½	45
Chile	29½	28⅝	28½
Col Fuel	56⅝	56⅛	56⅛
Consol Gas	135	135	135
Corn Products	25⅜	25⅜	25⅜
Corn Products pf	13⅜	12½	13⅛
Crucible Steel	86⅞	84½	84⅝
Den & Rio G pf	45¼	45	45
Del & Hud	151½	151½	151¼
Del L & W	238	238	238
Dis Secur Co	40½	40	40
Erie	38⅛	37⅛	37⅝
Erie 1st pf	53⅜	52⅝	52⅝
Erie 2nd pf	42½	42½	42½
Gen Elec	181¼	180½	180½
Gen Motors	750	750	750
Goodrich	69⅛	68¾	69⅛
Gt North pf	117⅞	117⅞	117½
Gt N Ore ctf	41⅞	41	41
Illinois Cen	108	107⅜	107½
Int Met Com	18½	18⅛	18⅛
Int Met Com pf	76	75¼	75½
Int Mer Marine	48½	46½	48½
Int Mer Marine pf	118⅝	115¼	118⅜
Int Paper	84⅝	84	83
Int Paper pf	105½	105⅜	105⅜
Kan City So	27⅝	27¼	27⅜
Kan City So pf	59⅝	59⅛	59⅜
Kan & Texas	12½	11⅞	11¾
Kan & Tex pf	22½	21⅝	22¼
Lehigh Valley	82⅛	81¼	82
Maxwell	75	74	75
Maxwell 1st	82¾	81⅞	81⅞
Maxwell 2nd	50	50	50
Mexican Petroleum	108⅝	107⅜	108
Missouri Pa	20¼	19	19
Nat Lead pf	113	112⅞	112⅞
N Y Air Brake	173	170¾	171
N Y Central	108¼	107¼	107½
Nor & West	140	140	140
No Am Co	75	74½	74½
North Pacific	112	110⅝	111¼
Ont & West	32½	32	32
Pacific Mail	28½	26	27½
Pennsylvania	56⅞	56⅝	56¾
People's Gas	108	108	108
Pitts Coal	56	54⅞	54⅞
Pressed Steel	84	82⅞	83
Pullman Co	165	165	165
Ry St Sp Co	59⅝	58⅝	58⅝
Reading	111⅝	110½	110⅝
Rep Iron & S	88⅜	87¼	88⅛
Rep I & S pf	116	116	116
St Paul	93⅛	92⅞	92⅞
Sloss-Sheffield	83	82½	82⅝
So Pacific	99⅝	99⅛	99⅛
Southern Ry	32	31⅝	31½
Southern Ry pf	70⅛	69⅞	69⅞
Studebaker	121⅞	120¼	121¾
Tenn Copper	24⅛	24⅛	24½
Texas Pac	20⅞	19⅝	20⅜
Third Ave	52½	52	52½
Union Pacific	147	145⅞	146¼
Union Pac pf	84	83¼	83⅞
U S Ind Alcohol	137	134	135⅝
U S Rub	69⅝	67⅞	68
U S Rub pf	115¼	114⅛	114⅞
U S Steel	126¼	125	125½
U S Steel pf	121⅞	121⅛	121⅝
U S Steel 5s	106¼	106¼	106¼
Utah Copper	124⅞	123	123¼
Va Chem	50¼	49⅞	50¼
Westinghouse	62⅛	61⅞	62
Western Un	102½	102¼	102⅝

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GAINS NUMEROUS AT THE OPENING

COURSE OF EARLY DEALINGS INDICATED CONFUSION OF SPECULATIVE SENTIMENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The course of prices during today's early dealings on the stock exchange indicated some confusion of speculative sentiment. Gains of substantial proportions were numerous but these were neutralized by moderate recessions in metals, some of the utilities, equipments and such specialties as U. S. Rubber and Industrial Alcohol. Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies continued its rise, advancing 6 points to 142, a new record. U. S. Steel and allied shares like Crucible and Lackawanna steels and Republic Iron were appreciably better. Reading and Southern railway common and preferred featured the strong rails.

Boston Market

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Copper shares were quiet and almost without price change during the early hours of trading today. The few fluctuations showed an irregular trend.

Exchanges

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Exchanges $629,475,146, balances, $5,278,565.

Cotton Features

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Cotton features opened weak. January 19.65, March, 19.84; May, 19.97; July, 20.01; October, 18.10.

Leaders Receded

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Demand for stocks dwindled after the first half hour, the turnover of the forenoon being almost the lightest in many weeks. Steel, Reading and other leaders receded a point or more and other investment issues were moderately reactionary. Utilities displayed marked weakness, Ohio Gas making an extreme decline of almost 12 points but recovering half its loss. Coppers, Central Leather, California Petroleums, Westinghouse and Continental Can also gave way to pressure. Bonds were irregular.

U. S. Steel and Rails Firm

NEW YORK, Dec. 8—Shipping shares, munitions and equipments were especially strong during the mid-session, Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies adding to its new record with a gain of seven points for Cuban-American Sugar and 25 points for Bethlehem Steel. U. S. Steel and rails were firm.

Cotton Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Cotton ginned to Dec. 1 amounted to 10,359,346 running bales, including 177,662 round bales and 101,629 bales of Sea Island, the census bureau today announced.

Last year 9,703,612 running bales including 83,361 round bales and 77,165 bales of Sea Island were ginned to December.

Closing Irregular

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Trading was more listless in the last hour with further declines in coppers and mixed gains and losses elsewhere. The closing was irregular.

Money Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Mercantile paper 4. Sterling: Sixty day bills 4.71 1-2; commercial sixty day bills on banks 4.71 1-4; commercial sixty day bills 4.71; demand 4.75 3-8. Cables, 4.76 3-8. Francs: Demand 5.85; cables 5.84. Marks: Demand 66 3-8; cables 66 1-2. Kronen: Demand 11 1-2; cables 11 5-8. Guilders: Demand 40 3-4; cables 40 7-8. Lires: Demand 6.80; cables 6.79. Rubles: Demand 29 1-4; cables 29 3-8. Bar silver 75 1-4. Mexican dollars 58. Government bonds steady; railroad bonds easy.

Time loans firm: sixty days 4 1-4@4 1-2; ninety days 4@4 1-4; six months 4@4 1-4.

Call money easy; high 4; low 3 3-4; ruling rate 4; last loan 4; closing bid 3 3-4; offered at 4.

Cotton Futures

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Cotton futures closed weak. December, 18.95; January, 19.01; March, 19.25; May, 19.46; July, 19.53; October, 19.70. Spot quiet; middling, 19.35.

BOSTON MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
RAILROADS			
Boston & Albany	176½	176½	176½
Boston Elevated	81	79	81
Bos & Maine	46	45½	45½
Bos & Maine	46	45½	45½
N Y & N H	57⅝	57⅝	57⅝
MINING			
Adventure	5⅝	5½	5⅝
Algomah	1¾	1½	1¾
Ahmeek	119	119	119
Alaska Gold	13½	13	13
Allouez	77½	77	77
American Zinc	61½	60⅝	60⅝
Arcadian	6⅞	6½	6½
Arizona Com	16	15	15⅝
Butte & Superior	73⅜	72¾	72⅜
Cal & Arizona	90	89¾	89¾
Cal & Hecla	600	600	600
China	69	68⅛	68⅝
Centennial	23	23	23
Copper Range	78	77½	77½
Daly-West	3¾	3¾	3¾
E Butte	18⅛	18	18
Franklin	11	10¾	10⅞
Granby	106½	105½	106
Greene-Cananea	51½	51¼	51½
Hancock	26½	26½	26½
Indiana	4¾	4¾	4¾
Inspiration	69½	68⅝	68⅝
Isle Royale	39¼	39¼	39½
Kerr Lake	4¾	4¾	4¾
La Salle	3	3	3
Lake	16¼	15¼	15¾
Mass	17¼	17¼	17¼
Mayflwer	3½	3½	3½
Michigan	4	4	4
Miami	46¼	46	46
Mohawk	104	103¾	104
Nevada	32	31⅝	31⅝
New Idria	16½	16½	16½
Nipissing	9¼	9¼	9¼
North Butte	27½	27	27½
No. Lake	2½	2½	2½
Old Colony	2¾	2¾	2¾
Old Dominion	79	79	79
Osceola	101½	101	101
Quincy	99½	99½	99½
Ray Con	33½	32¾	32⅞
Shannon	10¾	10½	10½
Shattuck Ariz	33	32½	32½
Santa Fe	2½	2½	2½
St. Mary	105	105	105
Superior	18	18	18
Superior & Boston	7	7	7
Tamarack	45½	41½	45½
Trinity	7¾	7	7¾
Tuolumne	2⅜	2¼	2¼
U S Smelting	76⅛	75½	75½
U S Smelting pf	52⅝	52	52¾
Utah-Apex	4	4	4
Utah Cons	22¼	21½	21½
Utah Metal	7⅛	7	7⅛
Winona	6½	6½	6½
Wolverine	54½	54¼	54½
TELEPHONE			
Am Ag Chem Com	98	98	98
Am Ag Chem pf	103	103	103
Am Pneumatic	1⅝	1½	1½
Am Pneumatic pf	11½	11¼	11½
Am Tel & Tel	127⅞	127½	127⅞
Am Woolen	56⅝	55¾	55¾
Am Woolen pf	99	99	99
Island Creek Coal	71½	71	71½
Mass Elec	3	3	3
Mass Elec pfd	28	27¾	27¾
Mass Gas	97	97	97
Pond Creek	22½	22½	22¼
*Swift & Co	158	155	155
United Fruit	163⅝	160½	161⅞
United Sh M	59	58½	58½
United Sh M pf	30	29⅞	29⅞
Ventura	10½	10	10

BEGIN WORK OF RAISING STEAMER YANKEE

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 8.—Wrecking contractors with divers and apparatus arrived here today and announced that operations will be begun at once for the raising of the steamer Yankee that has lain at the bottom of Buzzards Bay since 1908. The contractors announced that work on construction of the coffer dam [illegible] of the sunken craft will be under way immediately.

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—The Massachusetts branch of the democratic national campaign committee received $56,676 toward the expenses of the recent campaign, according to its report made to the secretary of state today. Marcus A. Coolidge of Fitchburg and Richard H. Long of Framingham with $[illegible] each led the list of contributors. Of the money collected $29,537 was paid into the national campaign fund [illegible] to the state fund and the balance was spent for incidental expenses. [illegible] W. Mansfield campaign committee which supported the democratic candidate for governor stated that it received $[illegible], all of which was given by the candidate to pay campaign expenses.

SHACKLETON TO SAIL FOR ROSS SEA DEC. 16

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Sir Ernest Shackleton will sail from Dunedin, New Zealand, for Ross Sea Dec. 16 to rescue the members of his Antarctic expedition marooned there, according to a Reuter's despatch from Wellington. The explorer will take his auxiliary ship, the Aurora.

The ten men whose rescue Sir Ernest will attempt are Capt. Mackintosh and nine members of the crew of the Aurora who were marooned in the neighborhood of the Ross barrier when the ship broke away in a blizzard 21 months ago. They had only a scanty supply of provisions at that time and nothing has been heard from them since.

PREVENT MANUFACTURE AND SALE OF LIQUOR

PROHIBITION LEGISLATION FORCED INTO POINT OF VANTAGE IN SENATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Prohibition legislation was forced into a point of vantage today when the senate, on motion of Senator Sheppard of Texas, began consideration of the bill to prevent the manufacture and sale of liquor in the national capital.

Senator Underwood of Alabama announced that he would press for an amendment for a referendum on the issue to the people of the District of Columbia.

THE POOR FIREMEN

The members of Hose Co. No. 5 were called to extinguish a grass fire in the vicinity of the car barn in First street at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon. There was no damage.

FEDERAL DYESTUFF AND CHEMICAL CORPORATION

White & Co. of New York, are today making an unusual investment offering in the form of common stock of the Federal Dyestuff & Chemical corporation, the company which has taken the lead in this country in breaking the dye monopoly held by Germany up to the outbreak of the war.

So rapidly has the business been developed that the company is at present time producing over 50,000 pounds of products daily on which the profit is estimated at $2,000,000 yearly or 14 per cent. on the offering price of the common stock, after all prior charges are provided for.

The installation of additional apparatus and the enlargement of various departments now under way will double the capacity of the plants with a corresponding increase in earnings.

The plant consists of 29 thoroughly equipped fireproof buildings located on 200 acres of land owned by the company at Kingsport, Tennessee, where raw material costs are very low and where labor conditions are favorable.

The capitalization of the company which is organized under New York laws comprises 30,000 shares of preferred stock, par value $100 of which amount 5000 shares have been issued and 300,000 shares of common stock without par value.

The public offering of these common shares is limited and from the volume of applications already in the hands of the bankers a heavy oversubscription is indicated. The subscription books will close on or before Dec. 11.

INVESTIGATE PROBLEM OF AGRICULTURE

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Resolutions calling upon congress to investigate the entire problem of agriculture in the United States and calling for an investigation of the marketing of livestock were adopted today at the closing session of the fourth national conference on marketing and farm credits.

The resolutions suggest that congress look into the workings of co-operative marketing and buying under government auspices in Germany, Denmark and other European countries to ascertain to what extent these plans could be applied to place American agriculture on an efficient basis, particularly in regard to the elimination of waste.

STRIKE AT FALL RIVER

FALL RIVER, Dec. 8.—Between 400 and 700 doffers and spinning room employes of the Fall River Iron Works mills went out on strike this afternoon, following the refusal of the officials of the plant to reinstate nine union doffers who had been discharged. The doffers also ask for extra pay for additional labors imposed.

"AMERICA FIRST" SLOGAN AT LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE BANQUET

The slogan of the board of trade at the Kasino last evening was "America First" and the spirit of it permeated the addresses, the music, the decorations and everything else connected with the occasion. Almost 400 members of the local body were present and there was not a dull moment from the signal to enter the banquet hall until the last strains of the "Star Spangled Banner" died down.

George W. Perkins of New York, head of the International Harvester trust and prominent in the councils of the progressive party and many other activities spoke on "The Development and Protection of American trade, Domestic and Foreign" and H. H. Wheaton of the bureau of education of the department of the interior at Washington spoke on the immigrant question under the title "Americanizing America."

A great number of American flags were used in the decoration of the hall

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WAR BULLETINS

BERLIN, Dec. 7. (By wireless to Sayville, Dec. 8.)—The surrender of a force of 8000 Rumanians is announced by the war office in the official statement issued this evening.

BERLIN, Dec. 8, by wireless to Sayville.—An attack was made by French troops yesterday on the Verdun front, in an effort to recapture trenches taken by the Germans on Hill 304. The failure of this attack is announced in today's communication from army headquarters.

BERLIN, Dec. 8, by wireless to Sayville.—"On the Macedonian front last night attacks made by Serbian troops near Tarnova, in the Cerna river region, were repulsed by the Germans and Bulgarians," the war office announces. "Renewed British attacks in the Struma sector also failed."

BERLIN, Dec. 8, by wireless to Sayville.—The Russians made an attack yesterday on the Dvina front, on the northern part of the Russo-Galician line, but failed to gain ground, it is announced officially.

PARIS, Dec. 8, 11.45 a. m.—The Germans last night were driven out of the trenches which they had captured on the eastern side of Hill 304 on the Verdun front, it is announced officially.

PARIS, Dec. 8, 11.45 a. m.—Heavy fighting is in progress on the Macedonian front. Three successive counter-attacks on the Serbians have been made by German and Bulgarian troops in the region of Stravina. The war office announces that these attacks were repulsed.

BERLIN, Dec. 8, by wireless to Sayville.—The bringing down of an Italian airplane by Lieut. Banfield, the noted Austrian aviator, in an engagement over the Carso plateau on Dec. 3, is announced in an Austro-Hungarian admiralty statement, received today.

REPORTED RESIGNATIONS FROM THE CABINET

McADOO, HOUSTON AND GREGORY SAID TO BE READY TO QUIT—PETERS TO RETIRE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Andrew J. Peters, assistant secretary of the treasury, in charge of customs, has told friends he will resign after March 4 to attend personal affairs in Massachusetts.

Renewed reports that Secretaries McAdoo and Houston and Attorney General Gregory planned to resign from the cabinet were met at the White House with the statement that they had given no indication of any such intention. Friends of the attorney general, however, believe he will resign and later be placed on the federal bench. The report of Mr. McAdoo's resignation is generally regarded as true.

GOLD FROM CANADA AT ASSAY OFFICE

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Gold to the amount of $15,800,000 imported from Canada was deposited in the assay office here today, making a total of $374,806,009 imported from all sources since Jan. 1.

TO FIGHT WOMAN SUFFRAGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage held business sessions today to discuss plans for fighting the federal suffrage amendment and to elect officers. Reports were presented from suffrage states tending to show that only a small proportion of women went to the polls at the recent general election and that in few cases did they have a noticeable effect on political conditions.

AWARDED MEDAL OF HONOR

BOSTON, Dec. 8—William Robinson of Gravety Manor, Sussex, England, has been awarded the George Robert White medal of honor for eminent service in the advancement of horticulture, the trustees of the Massachusetts Horticultural society, announced today. The medalist has been known as an exponent of the natural style of flower gardening as opposed to formal bedding and ribbon borders, and a writer on horticultural subjects.

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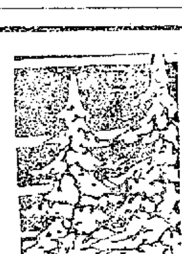
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M'CORMICK THE GUEST OF HONOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Wilson gave a dinner at the White House last night in honor of Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the national democratic committee, with members of the democratic campaign committee and of the progressive committee which aided in the president's re-election, as guests. It was a celebration of the victory last month.

In addition to Mr. McCormick the diners included Homer S. Cummings, vice-chairman; Representative Carter Glass, secretary; Wilber W. Marsh, treasurer; Senator Walsh, western democratic manager; Henry Morgenthau, chairman of the finance committee of the democratic committee; Gavin McNabb, and F. J. Heney of California, and democratic and progressive leaders from other states.

Two women, Mrs. George Bass, democrat, and Mrs. Antoinette Funk, progressive, were present as members of the campaign committee. Mrs. Wilson attended, as did the wives of most of the guests. The latter included Mrs. F. J. Hopkins, whose husband is a progressive leader in New Jersey. Mrs. Hopkins is chairman of the New Jersey branch of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage. She wore a button of her organization at the dinner, but before going to the White House she said that published reports that she intended questioning the president about his stand on suffrage grew out of joking remarks and that, of course, she would not do such a thing.

VAN DYKE LAUDS FRANCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Dr. Henry Van Dyke, whose resignation as minister to the Netherlands was announced last Monday, contributes to the current number of the Art World, under the title "The Name of France," a three-versed poem glorifying France and concluding with these lines:

A name that calls the world to share
The burden of sacrificial strife,
Where the cause at stake is the world's free life
And the rule of the people everywhere—
A name like a vow, a name like a prayer,
I give you, France

In a statement to the correspondent of The Associated Press at The Hague announcing his resignation Dr. Van Dyke said:

"The main reason was my wish to return to work as a writer with full freedom to say what I think and feel."

MASCOT OF U-35

BERLIN, Dec. — The newest addition to the Berlin zoological garden is a monkey which was the mascot of the U-35 for a considerable time.

The monkey originally was the mascot of an English merchantman that was halted by the German submarine. He made trip after trip with the U-35 and was "in at the death" of several merchantmen. His transfer to the zoo was ordered only when it became so cold that he was likely to suffer if exposed.

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IN POLICE COURT

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later when it was found that none of the party had any money Miss Watson's room was entered and the raincoat, bag and can of soup were taken.

Miss Watson upon arriving home yesterday noon found that the door leading to her room had been broken and several articles missing. She reported at once to the police and Inspector John Walsh was detailed to investigate the matter and subsequently he arrested Paul, Gagnon, and O'Hare, the former being booked for drunkenness and the two latter for larceny.

Paul testified that Gagnon and O'Hare had been in his room in the morning and he saw O'Hare with the bag and raincoat.

Joseph Rivers testified that he met O'Hare at the corner of Moody and Tilden street and the latter said his wife was sick and he needed money to purchase wood and food. Rivers did not want to purchase the bag but he agreed to pawn it and going to a nearby pawnshop received 60 cents for it.

William F. Kelly, janitor of the building, testified to seeing Gagnon in Paul's room Tuesday and yesterday and also saw a can of soup there.

Inspector Walsh testified that as a result of a complaint made at the police station he went to 32 John street and found that the door leading into Miss Watson's room had been broken and the room was in disorder. He then entered Paul's room and finding that Paul was drunk sent him to the police station. As a result of his talk with Paul he located Rivers, then found the bag, raincoat and can of soup and subsequently arrested Gagnon and O'Hare.

O'Hare claimed that Paul gave him the bag to "shove up." He denied stealing it. Gagnon said he did not care to testify. The court then found the defendants guilty and sentenced each to four months in the house of correction. The cases of drunkenness were placed on file.

Assault Case Continued

The case of Joseph Poole, James Conley, Dennis O'Neil and Stephen J. O'Halloran, charged with assault and battery on William Gaudette, was continued until December 14th by agreement of counsel. Poole and O'Halloran were before the court yesterday morning and the other two members of the quartet were in this morning. One of the latter surrendered himself and the other was placed under arrest yesterday.

Neglected His Mother

William E. O'Connell appeared before the court several weeks ago on a complaint charging him with failing to provide for his mother who is in destitute circumstances and he was placed in the custody of the probation officer and promised to contribute toward her support. Probation Officer Slattery informed the court this morning that he had not seen nor heard from O'Connell since the day he was in court, whereupon Judge Enright ordered a capias issued for O'Connell's arrest.

Sent to House of Correction

Walter F. Fowler was found guilty of failing to provide for the support of his minor children and was sentenced to four months in the house of correction.

James Jordan, charged with being drunk, was fined $5.

Samuel Paul, who was arrested for drunkenness and appeared as a witness in the larceny case in which O'Hare and Gagnon were convicted, had his case continued until next Wednesday.

WIGGINVILLE MEN HOLD BIG RALLY

A big rally of men of the Wigginville section of the city was held last night in the vestry of the Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist church to consider questions for the benefit of the southeast section of Lowell. The lighting system and car service came in for lively discussion and Mr. Sykes and Rev. Mr. Singleton, pastor of the church, were made a committee to see what can be done. The question of a sub postoffice was also taken up and Clifford Grant and Harry Leavitt were appointed to draw up a petition for this much needed improvement.

Another meeting is called for next Thursday night at the same place, when other questions will be taken up and plans formulated to develop this section. Charles Moore, the president of the Men's Brotherhood of the church, was in the chair. Henry Bell was appointed secretary.

PHYSICAL TRAINING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Adjt. Gen. Pearson, in an interview, has expressed the belief that if all boys received in their schools a proper physical and disciplinary training as well as instruction in the care of the health, home and community sanitation, the National Guard officers would be relieved of a great amount of work and time now devoted to instruction in such subjects, and would have much greater latitude in technical military training.

He is convinced of this because he has felt compelled to send his three children, now in the public schools, to gymnasiums where, outside of school hours they may acquire that physical training for which opportunity is denied them in the schools.

"I have noted with interest and regret," he says, "that many of the young recruits whom we receive in the national guard are not well set up and that their muscular development has been neglected. Many of them have not been so trained that the brain, eye and muscles work promptly together, and there is apt to be a lack of training in the courtesy which the younger should give the elder, and in the laws of health which are regarded as so fundamental in a military training.

"With a view to ascertaining the cause of this condition and providing a remedy I appointed a board consisting of Maj. George M. King, C.A.C.; Capt. Porter B. Chase, 1st Corps Cadets; Capt. Henry D. Cormerais, 5th infantry, Lt. Daniel J. Canty, 9th infantry and Lt. Winifred C. MacBrayne, 6th infantry, to investigate this among other subjects.

"I am very much in sympathy with the unanimous report of Maj. King's board in its recommendation for universal military training for all young men between the ages of 18 and 21, and particularly with its recommendation for a program of health education, [illegible] and defense training, to

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From a letter signed by Mr. G. T. Bishop, President of the Federal Dyestuff & Chemical Corporation, original of which is on file, the following features are summarized:

The corporation owns 200 acres of land at Kingsport, Tennessee, a most desirable location because of the low cost of raw materials and favorable labor conditions. On this property are erected 29 buildings of modern fireproof construction, in which is installed apparatus and equipment for the manufacture of dyestuffs and like materials and chemicals. It has its own inter-communicating railroad system connecting with the C., C. & O. R. R.

The dyestuff processes used by this corporation are standard and are successfully employed in Europe. Coal tar distillates are chemically combined with chlorine, with acids, and with alkalis in scientific proportions, producing a variety of dyestuffs, pharmaceutical preparations, etc.

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The corporation commenced the erection of its plant in November, 1915. The present daily capacity exceeds 50,000 pounds of products, on which estimated profit is in excess of $2,000,000 annually on that capacity. By the installation of additional apparatus and enlarging some departments, this production will soon be increased to more than 100,000 pounds daily, which should largely increase the profits.

The corporation manufactures from raw materials its own "intermediates" (basic products from which dyestuffs are made), thereby enjoying an advantage over any competitor in the United States, insuring its ability to compete successfully under all conditions, and establishing the permanency of its earning power.

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Messrs. George A. Coulton,
Mark W. Potter,
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EARNINGS

Attention is called to the above statement of earnings, which, from the present daily capacity of 50,000 pounds of product, are estimated at over $2,000,000 per annum, being the equivalent of over 12 per cent. on the entire common stock at the offering price after providing for all prior charges. With the increase in production in 1917 to more than 100,000 pounds daily, the earnings should largely increase.

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WAR NEWS

It is quite amusing to hear the contradictory comments made by different parties upon the war news.

Some people will assert that the only accurate news published in the papers is that which comes from Berlin by wireless, while others state that the news from London is most reliable. Some other parties claim that much of the most sensational war news published is manufactured in the newspaper offices as a means of selling papers. Anybody who knows the facts will at once see the absurdity of all these remarks. It is a fact that all the powers engaged in the war are disposed to hold back news unfavorable to themselves. This tendency has been followed since the opening of the war, although of late it has been in a measure overcome by the realization that, if any power withholds news of any reverse it may have suffered, the opposing power will issue an account that will put the event in the very worst light.

With this in mind, it is easy for the general reader to draw a fairly accurate conclusion as to what has happened in any particular case.

As in other tactics Germany beats the allies in the public press. Her reports by wireless are so prompt and positive that she generally gets her story read first, all over the world and in many cases her exaggerated claims have been accepted as true before the news from the other side can overtake it.

For example, if England takes a line of German trenches on the Somme, she reports a signal victory with great loss to the enemy, while in the German account it will be stated that "the British made a vigorous attack on the German positions on the Somme and gained a small portion of one of our trenches but with terrible loss."

Thus it is a case of each exaggerating his own gains and minimizing his losses.

Germany has another method of impressing the public with the importance of her various movements in every campaign she has entered. For example after capturing the capital of Rumania in which she reported taking 9,000 prisoners, she added that since entering Rumania she has taken 100,000 prisoners. No other power can tell whether this total is correct, and hence the statement stands unquestioned—although in all probability it is a gross exaggeration.

As to the charge that the newspapers manufacture news, that is too silly to be taken seriously. The only papers we have heard of attempting to manufacture war despatches were those that have been barred from England and Canada. No decent newspaper would attempt anything of the kind. The fact is, there is so much war news that with the high cost of paper, and the increased value of space, the newspapers have more war stuff than they can publish. Much that they pay dearly for is occasionally thrown away owing to pressure of other matters. The average reader wants something besides war news.

The news sent out by France and Russia is probably the most accurate of any of the official despatches from the belligerent powers. Neither of these countries boasts over their victories and both candidly admit defeat when it comes.

The Sun gives the news as it comes from the most authoritative sources. The only complaint against such news is that it does not please everybody. The news of German victories does not please the pro-allies nor does the news of victories by the entente allies please the pro-Germans. It is none of our business who is pleased or displeased at the news. We are publishing a newspaper and chronicling the events of the war as we find them gathered by the Associated Press, the most reliable news agency in the world. But we are not fighting in the war and are, therefore, in no way responsible for what happens or for any misstatement of the facts sent out by the contending powers.

MOVE ON

It is good news for Lowell to find that some of the old buildings on our main streets are to be replaced by new and up-to-date structures. That is what our city needs and it is hoped that the movement thus started will go on until all the old buildings and all the ten-footers shall have disappeared.

The new theatre on Central street, the several new buildings on Middlesex street, the new bank building at the corner of John and Paige streets are all in the line of progress and will undoubtedly get others started. It is to be hoped that all new buildings to be erected on our principal streets will be of fireproof construction as we need more security in that line in order to keep down the insurance rates in the business district.

There is something very selfish, or perhaps we might say hoggish, in the habit of holding unimproved real estate fronting on a leading business street. The owner avoids making improvements in order that he may derive as much gain as possible from the unearned increment derived from the growth of adjoining property and the increase in the value of land upon the street due to the volume of business done there.

This is a good time for the holders of such property to loosen up, tear down the eyesores and erect buildings that will be a credit to our city. Such structures will never fail of due appreciation in Lowell. It is time for the slow property owners to get into the procession and "move on."

I.W.W. RIOTS

From recent occurrences in various parts of this country the I.W.W. seem to be right in their element when in conflict with the representatives of the law. The riot in Boston on Wednesday night in which butcher knives and automatic revolvers were freely used against the police, indicates preparation for such emergencies.

The members of this organization may make up their minds that if they want to hold public meetings they will have to comply with the laws governing such events. No society can assemble its followers for a public demonstration on any public street or thoroughfare in Boston without a permit from the municipal authorities. Were it otherwise there would be all kinds of turbulence as a result of conflicting elements meeting in opposition. The Boston rule in regard to such matters is a good one for other cities to adopt. The I.W.W. being an avowed revolutionary organization, the authorities in some cities refuse to allow it to hold any meetings in public and in that they are acting wholly within their rights. Far too much freedom is allowed to anarchists and other revolutionary bodies whose aim is to overthrow our constitution which is the very palladium of our liberties.

ANTI-RAT CAMPAIGN

A band of women in Boston has started an anti-rat campaign and has issued a great many circulars appealing to the people to destroy the rodents wherever they find them. Just how this is to be done is not made quite clear. One might suppose that the method adopted by the Pied Piper of Hamelin would be imitated; but it does not appear that the women have suggested any such idea. Whether the rats are to be charmed from their usual abode, poisoned or driven out by ferrets, apparently has not been decided, but judging from the arrangements made by the women they expect a great harvest. They have appealed to Mayor Curley and the health department to appoint stations in different parts of the city at which the dead rats can be assembled for removal by the board of health on certain dates and at certain hours. We are rather skeptical over the results of this rat campaign and shall be pessimistic as to its success until we find that the women have adopted some practical method of getting the rodents.

THE DIETETIC STUNT

The demonstration conducted under the direction of one of the health commissioners of Chicago to show that men and women can subsist on 40 cents a day each, has been carried out and as to the results it would be very difficult to determine wherein any advantage has been derived from this dietetic stunt. Dr. Robertson, who conducted the demonstration, prepared well balanced menus of simple but nourishing food and they were all cooked in the most scientific manner by the domestic science school of that city. If the diet squad had been maintained under conditions such as prevailed in the ordinary tenement house, something might have been gained to show wherein a saving can be made or wherein people can live upon simpler food and more cheaply than they are in the habit of doing. But none of these results can follow the demonstration as it was conducted. It was one of those appeals to public curiosity that failed to serve any good purpose except from a medical standpoint.

THE VANISHED FISHWAYS

The law at present provides for fishways in all leading rivers flowing to the sea. In some cases they have been abolished in disregard of the law and such apparently has been the case in Lowell.

Formerly, as Judge Hadley and other reliable authorities have shown, the river was well stocked with salmon and other fish while fishways at the various dams were required by law. The fishway at Pawtucket dam should be restored and protected in accordance with the intent of the laws enacted for that purpose. It is true that the river is so polluted at certain seasons of the year as not to be favorable to the propagation of fish; but this is not the case in the months of the year in which the fish ascend the rivers.

The question which interests the Fish and Game association is when the Locks and Canals company will restore the fishway at Pawtucket Falls.

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SPRINGFIELD CHARTER

The city of Springfield has voted to retain its old style charter and in so doing the voters have probably shown good judgment. The city is prosperous and is noted for the efficiency of its municipal government. Under such circumstances it would have made a mistake by discarding the old charter and adopting one of the so-called model charters which in spite of all that has been said in their favor are yet only in their experimental stage.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

At this time Christmas shopping can be done with comfort and advantage. Do not put it off until the stores become so crowded that you cannot get what you want without being crushed and jostled and delayed at every step.

White lines for crossing guides on smooth pavements where there are no crosswalks wouldn't cost much, and they might prevent some accidents. Why not have them?—Boston Globe.

Why not? Painted crossings are the cheapest that can be provided. If a police officer be only provided to see that nobody walks on them they will last for years.

If William Jennings Bryan is sent to Europe by President Wilson as a peace advocate and is successful in his mission, what will he do with the $40,000 of the Nobel Prize?—Boston Globe.

Send it to Nebraska to fight Hitchcock, his great political adversary in that state.

Seen and Heard

It sometimes happens that the leader of the orchestra plays second fiddle at home.

Isn't it horrible to have somebody ask you if you want to invest $100 when you haven't twenty cents to your name?

On his way down town from his home in Mammoth road a few days ago a man lost a $5 bill. Arriving at his office he told one of his clerk's of his loss. A little later a man called and asked him if he had lost anything. The man first mentioned said he had lost $5. "Here it is—I found it in my car," said the caller, who was none other than Conductor Hennessey of the Pawtucketville line and now if you want to hear a staunch defender of the honor and honesty of street railway men call at 22 Market street.

A Singing Well

A singing well is one of the natural curiosities of Texas. In fine weather a sound like that of an eolian harp is given out. At times the sound is clear, then it recedes as if far away, and then it reaches the ear very faintly. With an east wind blowing the mysterious musical sound is faint. A strong west wind causes the sound to increase in volume and clearness. Before a north wind the well plays its wildest pranks.

Getting Field Plowed Up

Some way the average American's indifference to the Mexican fracas reminds us of the petite, demure little wife of "Skant" Hedges, as turbulent a fist fighter as ever inhabited Indian Run in the old logging days. Her oldest son came into the shack breathless with the exclamation:

"Ma, pa's fightin' seven fellers from Horton's camp out here in the field."

"Well," she replied carelessly, "they've got a nice lot of room for it!"—Buffalo Evening News.

Wasn't It a Shame!

Mrs. Cummuter had lain awake with a headache till 1 o'clock. Then, in the rest of the night, she had responded to several calls for a drink, a doll and all the other nocturnal infantile orders. At 5 in the morning, as she was just beginning to round out the first continuous hour of slumber, the little 6-year-old girl called softly from her nearby crib:

"Mother."

No answer. Again a little louder. "Mother."

Mother said nothing. Again the child's voice, this time mezzoforte:

"Mother"

"Well, what is it?"

"Mother, isn't it too bad that one of Harry McCole's pollywogs died?"—Exchange.

Putting It Up to Baby

It isn't all honey being the eldest girl of a family, as Marjorie [illegible] finds. Particularly does she [illegible] when told to put Baby Dora to bed, says the Philadelphia Ledger.

Dora has the common infantile complaint of wanting everything she can think of before she will condescend to go to sleep.

"I want a drink of milk!" she announced loudly one evening when Marjorie had already made several trips [illegible].

"[illegible] for you, didn't I?" demanded Marjorie [illegible] accusingly [illegible] the [illegible] of the baby.

No answer.

"And I [illegible] you [illegible] Teddy bear and the black doll-"

Still Dora vouchsafed no reply.

"And I gave you a piece of white paper and a nice pencil!"

This time Dora pouted assent.

"Well," decreed the big sister, with an air of finality, "just you take the pencil and paper and draw a cow; then you can milk it!"—Exchange.

An Excusable Error

All kinds of rowdies on street cars are obnoxious, but the one who intruded on the quiet of an eastbound interurban a few evenings since was worse than the average.

This undesirable citizen, who occupied a rear seat, first attracted the attention by yelling at the top of his voice.

"Whasamasserevrbodyinisear?" he bawled.

A timid little lady fainted.

"Whooper-I-doncar if I nevergo home," he screamed again.

This time two babies began to cry.

"Thahadmanaswhatlam!"

Everybody began to tremble.

Finally a woman who sat near the middle of the car spied a policeman in one of the front seats.

Making her way to the officer, she tapped him on the shoulder.

"Why don't you do something to that dreadful man?" she demanded.

"What dreadful man?"

"The rowdy who has been causing a commotion in the back of the car."

Rising in his seat the officer said in surprise:

"What, that a rowdy? Gee! I thought it was the conductor calling off the streets!"—Youngstown Telegram

They Do Say

That Henry Gilbride has a lame arm today.

That the Elks will miss "Charley" Meloy.

That it is a wise man who knows his limitations.

That the local basketball season will begin tonight.

That the Buntings did things up brown last night.

That the track season at the high school will start soon.

That Lowell may yet be known as the city of beautiful parks.

That "Jim" will be missed by the Lawrence street firemen.

That we used to laugh at the farmer but now he laughs at us.

That Iona Ford is proud of her name—also Helen Augusta Wind.

That no one can blame Elizabeth for being mad when called "Liz."

That some people who try to be witty succeed only in being wordy.

That the higher the ladies' shoes go the shorter the skirts grow.

That John Regan is a firm believer in the honesty of car conductors.

That there are poets who can get wildly intoxicated on the weather.

That the Bay State Cotton Corp. is not quite ready to build a new mill.

That a word of encouragement is worth more than a dozen compliments.

That you can't really forgive a person unless you forgive the wrong also.

That there's a great swearing off on the giving of Christmas presents this year.

That it is a quiet campaign but there's a lot of work being done on the Q. T.

That Joseph Payette will make an ideal president for Club Citoyens-Americains.

That the judges had a hard job awarding the prizes at the Lincoln masquerade.

That from 18 to 25 are usually sown the seeds of a great success or of a great failure.

That Industry council, R.A., has rounded out 20 successful years in spite of many storms.

That a number of local football fans will see the big football game in Haverhill tomorrow.

That Alphonse Fortier believes he can increase the membership of the C.M.A.C. to 1500.

That Cotter put something over on Daly when he handed him that bouquet at the Elks' show.

That there's a great opportunity to bring together the childless parent and the parentless child.

That the business men favor the erection of the new postoffice in the vicinity of Merrimack square.

That some women whom nature made sturdy think its ladylike to adopt the voice and the ways of a sick kitten.

That more of the bald headed fraternity are getting their beans upholstered.

That the principal topic of conversation at the present time is whether the city will go "yes" or "no" on the license question.

That there are many beautiful Christmas gifts in the store windows, but it is difficult to make selections especially if your pocketbook is slim.

That the hardware dealers are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the very cold and snowy weather in order to start to unload their stock of skates and sleds.

That the increase in the price of some automobiles and the high price of gasoline may have something to do with decreasing the number of cars sold in 1917.

That the newspapermen who attend the sessions of police court can vouch for the truth of the old saying "one half the world doesn't know how the other half is living."

That the unemployed certainly enjoy seeing others work. If you don't believe it just take a look at the number of people who watch people working in the street or on a construction job.



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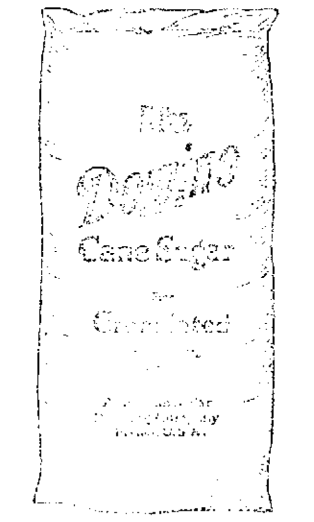
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EMBARGO ORDERS BAR SHIPMENT TO THE EAST

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Embargo orders which practically bar the west from shipment of commodities for export from Atlantic ports or for eastern consumption, went into effect on the Pennsylvania lines and the Erie railroad east of Chicago today.

Two other railroads, the New York Central lines, and the Wabash, ordered embargoes today. The Wabash placed an embargo on grain shipments and the New York Central on all foodstuffs except perishables and livestock.

The orders bar virtually every commodity, the usual exceptions being made, however, for perishable freight in transit and for United States government shipments. H. C. Snyder, assistant general freight agent of the Erie, explained that the order of his road "even applies to livestock to the extent that we no longer accept livestock from connecting lines." No limit is set on the duration of the embargo, which is attributed to the congestion of loaded freight cars in the yards on the Atlantic seaboard.

Notice of the embargo was served on the connecting lines by the two roads some time ago. The Pennsylvania order forbids agents to accept freight from connecting lines which is destined for points east of Pittsburg. The Erie order fixes Marion, O., as the farthest east point of destination.

Staple foodstuffs which do not require cold storage are forbidden by the embargo from going east of the Pittsburg-Marion lines. This would apply to potatoes, flour, beet sugar and canned goods. Such commodities as wheat, corn, building materials and manufacturing articles also are brought under the ban of the embargo orders.

Local railroad officials asserted that frequently cars of goods for export have been shipped without arrangements being made for bottoms to carry their load to Europe and that as a result the tangle of freight cars has grown so great that eastern roads have found it difficult to carry on their necessary business. Efforts of the roads, it was asserted, to carry out the recent orders of the interstate commerce commission to return the cars to the western lines have brought the situation to a crisis.

Officials of other roads operating east from Chicago, early today did not comment on current rumors that other lines intended issuing similar orders.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE

Continued

pervision and Instruction" and "The Transportation of Pupils."

Over twenty officials from Lowell and the various towns in this section were present at the opening of the session, which was held in the library, and at times the discussion brought forth some novel and interesting ideas. Several impromptu debates arose during the development of the themes and Mr. Wadsworth encouraged the widest possible discussion. He spoke largely from his own experience as school superintendent and member of school committees and more especially of conditions as he has discovered them while he has been connected with the state board of education.

Among those present were: Hugh J. Molloy, superintendent of schools, Lowell; Dr. John H. Lambert and John C. Leggat, of the local school committee; Principal John J. Mahoney of the Normal school; Ellen S. Perry, Wilmington; William H. Hall, Chelmsford; Alberto W. Small, school superintendent; Albert N. Fox, Dracut; Frank H. Hill, superintendent, Westford, Acton, Littleton and Carlisle; Charles O. Prescott, Westford; Mrs. Mary Larrabee, Tewksbury; Mrs. Blanche Burdett, North Reading; F. A. Russell, Methuen; E. L. Haynes, Methuen; John C. Angus, Andover; Frederick G. Moore, Andover; H. C. Sanborn, Andover and J. A. MacDougall, Wilmington.

At the opening of the session, Mr. Wadsworth declared: "This is a class in school administration and I want you all to ask questions." He then brought out their point of view by asking whether one member of a school committee constitutes a school committee and going into the matter of administration, asked whether the records of the school committee should be kept by a clerk, a member of the school committee or the school superintendent. It was his opinion, expressed after discussion, that the school superintendent should keep the records of the committee.

With chalk on a blackboard, Mr. Wadsworth sketched diagrams illustrating the development of school administration in Massachusetts. He showed the evils of ward representation on school committees and said there are cities in Massachusetts in which the good talkers on the board have good schools with efficient teachers while the poor representatives have poor schools.

Ideal Administration

He said that the ideal in school administration is the same as the ideal in business administration, viz: co-operation between the school committee and the school superintendent. The authority should not be wholly vested, he said, in either the committee or the superintendent. He told of instances that have come under his personal observation where lack of harmony and lack of system between the committees and the superintendent have brought about confusion and deterioration to the schools.

There are two types of school administration, said Mr. Wadsworth, viz: the complaint system and the business system. In the complaint system nothing is done, no evils are corrected and no improvements are introduced unless the people ask for them, and if anybody suggests some betterment a member of the school committee says: "Why I have not heard any complaint about it." Before any important matter is acted on the people must send a petition to the school committee. In the business type of administration the committee and the superintendent anticipate the complaints and the petitions and they do their duty from motives of service to the schools and to the children.

He also condemned the wrangles between committees and superintendents and said that if committees have complaints to make concerning the superintendent they ought to tell him about it and not tell it about indiscriminately. He told of a recent instance that came under his observation where a teacher who was wholly inefficient was kept in a school, merely because some foreign residents had objected to her. The school committee, he said, was more devoted to its own obstinate viewpoint than to the good of the school.

During the course of the discussion several questions were asked and at noon there was an intermission during which luncheon was served by the pupils of the vocational school. It was brought out that this conference is one of a series meant to prepare the people for a more uniform system of school administration and to bring about more efficient methods of school administration, especially in the smaller communities. Each school official in attendance was given a pamphlet prepared by the general education service along the lines suggested in the conference, with a preface by Francis G. Wadsworth.

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CHANGE OF TIME ON LOWELL-READING LINE

Special to The Sun.

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Local representatives of the Bay State Street Railway Co., appeared this morning before the public service commission in Boston for the change of time on the Lowell-Reading line, between the hours of 6.45 a. m. and 1.45 p. m. and between the hours of 5.45 p. m. and 9.45 p. m. No change is proposed in the service between Lowell and Chandler's turnout in Tewksbury.

During the time specified it is proposed to run the cars on an hourly schedule instead of a half hour as at the present time. These changes are proposed for week days only and not for Saturdays and Sundays.

F. A. Fager, representing the company, gave a detailed report at great length in which he said that the line is a seasonable one and that there are only a few passengers in the winter. In July, he said, the rate per car mile was 30 cents, while February it was only 17 cents.

Judge Charles S. Sullivan, of Boston, who resides in Tewksbury, petitioned that the car leaving Lowell for Foster's turnout at 7.45 be run as at present. Chairman McLeod, of the commission asked Mr. Fager if this would be possible and he said the problem would be taken under advisement.

E. H. De Lany of the Avery Chemical Co. of Wamesit said that his men work in three shifts and that 41 lived below Chandler's turnout. He said that the service now is poor enough, that the cars are frequently half an hour late and that on December 5th only two cars were on time. The cars going into Lowell, he said, are indecently crowded, and the girls from the Newton Mfg. Co. are frequently obliged to stand in cars filled with men.

He was questioned by Mr. Lees as to the time the three shifts start work.

Mr. De Lany said that he had petitioned for a shed to protect his employes but Mr. Lees testified that his company would not permit him to erect it. Chairman McLeod ruled that the matter should not come up at the hearing as the problem was one of service.

Capt. De Lany protested that the shed had to do with service, but that Mr. Lees said it would cost $225. Mr. Lees said that the Avery Chemical Co. had threatened to run a jitney service.

Melvin G. Rogers, town counsellor for Tewksbury, petitioned that the service remain as present.

Jeremiah J. Chandler said the present service is unsatisfactory and was not in favor of a change, which he said would not be any improvement.

Frank M. Tierney of Wilmington and J. W. Morton also appeared against the petition of the railway company. Mr. Morton asked if the raising of the fare to six cents had not improved conditions for the railway and Mr. Fager said he could not at this time tell. Mr. Fager testified further that the proposed change would save the company $18.95 per day during the winter months. Geo. F. Hooper also appeared in opposition, and the commission will give him and the other remonstrants a chance to present briefs on Dec. 20.

HOYT.

GREEK KING IS AGAIN SERIOUSLY ILL

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The health of King Constantine is again causing anxiety, according to news from German sources, says a Zurich despatch to the Matin. The old wound in the king's side continues to suppurate, the despatch says, and has kept constantly open. The king is said to be very weak.

LLOYD GEORGE ACCEPTS OFFICE OF PREMIER

LONDON, Dec. 8.—David Lloyd George, at Buckingham palace last night, formally kissed the king's hands on his acceptance of the offices of prime minister and first lord of the treasury. This indicates that in an unexpectedly short time, the new premier sees his way to the formation of an administration, and he was probably able to submit to the king a preliminary draft list of the principal proposed ministers.

Cabinet Uncertain

Doubtless much remains to be done in the way of the allocation of the new posts and so far as the public is concerned the personnel of the ministry is a matter of pure speculation. But the premier still has plenty of time before he has to meet parliament, on Tuesday, to complete details and he will doubtless be in a position to present to the house of commons his new national ministry, representing all parties with the possible exception of the nationalists, and if common report is to be trusted, comprising a strong ousiness element.

Little reliance can be placed upon the numerous names canvassed during the day, but it seems certain that his field of choice is much wider than was hastily assumed last night, when the admittedly difficult task confronting him was uppermost in the public mind and provoked misgivings regarding his chances of securing any continued support in parliament. These misgivings, to a large extent, have disappeared, mainly owing to the fact that he has been able to gain the support of the labor party by an offer of two ministerial posts and three under-secretaryships.

ASQUITH DECLINES EARLDOM

LONDON, Dec. 8.—According to the Chronicle, King George yesterday wrote to former Premier Asquith, offering him an earldom and the Order of the Garter. It is understood Mr. Asquith asked permission to decline both honors.

SUN BREVITIES

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Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Girard of West Bowers street are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, which occurred this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Zenon A. Chenette of Providence, R. I. have removed to this city. Mr. Chenette having secured a position in Lowell.

A smoking stove in a tenement in Cabot street was responsible for a telephone alarm which called out Hose 5 at 5:55 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Miss Helen Castles has returned to Manchester after spending the Thanksgiving holidays at her home, 154 Avon street. Miss Castles is a teacher in the Dubarton Centre school.

Among the trade-marks recently registered at the United States patent office through the office of Gardner W. Pearson, is one to Frank C. Goodale on the well known soft drink, Dande-li-o

Miss Margaret Phinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Phinney, has entered the Lawrence General hospital to take a three years' course in nursing.

MR. WHEATON VISITS NORMAL SCHOOL

Mr. H. H. Wheaton of the bureau of education of the department of the interior who spoke before the board of trade last evening, visited the State Normal school this morning and gave an instructive and inspiring address to those who are training to be teachers, and several visitors. He spoke in a very practical manner, dealing especially with the best method of teaching English to foreigners. Principal John J. Mahoney introduced Mr. Wheaton, who was applauded with great enthusiasm and who was applauded still more when he finished his address.

Under the subject of "The Administration of Evening Schools," Mr. Wheaton discussed the necessity of regular attendance and of advertising adequately to ensure that those who need to attend the schools know about them. He mentioned incidents where immigrants were living in the same block with an evening school without knowing of its existence. He emphasized the importance of co-operation on the part of employers and emphasized as well the necessity of adequate teaching methods. He illustrated the latter in a very illuminating manner, showing definitely just what is meant by the object method, the theme method and the dramatic method.

The talk was listened to with the greatest interest by the Normal pupils and visitors and everyone felt that it fitted in perfectly with the program for the development of the usefulness of the evening schools as a medium for Americanizing the immigrant and bringing him into touch with the best in American life.

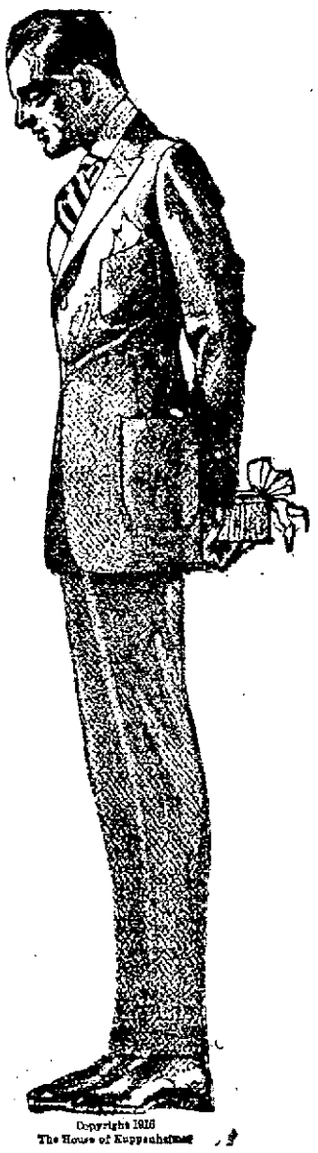
RABBI GLICK HERE

Rabbi Glick, author of translations from the Talmud, is in town and will lecture to local Hebrew organizations before his departure. Tomorrow morning he will address the Sons of Jacob, in the afternoon another Hebrew society. Sunday evening he will speak before the Y.M.H.A.

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Wicker Doll Carriages . . . $3.50 to $9.00	Children's Bassinettes . . . . $4.00 to $8.00
Dolls' Tents $1.50	White Wooden Bassinettes $6.50 to $7.50
Dolls' Hammocks . . . . . $1.25 to $3.00	White Willow Cradles $4.00
Dolls' Wood Beds . . . . . $1.50 to $3.00	Baby Carriage Robes
Dolls' Brass Beds $2.50	Baby Toilet Chairs . . . . $1.00 to $2.00
Children's Wood Rockers 75c to $6.50	Baby Cadillac Toilet Seats $2.00
Children's Wicker Rockers $1.75 to $7.00	Children's Automobiles $5.00 to $10.00
Children's White Enamel Tables . . . $2.00	Baby Fancy Crib Robes 90c to $2.00
Children's White Enamel Chairs and Rockers . . . . . $1.00 to $3.00	Children's Brooms 10c
	Children's Desks, complete with chairs . . . . $2.50 to $10.25

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NEBES WINS FIRST RACE FROM BURKE

In one of the most sensational roller skating races ever seen in Lowell, Albert Nebes of this city, claimant of the eastern championship, defeated Harry Burke of Bridgeport, Conn., by two yards after three miles of spectacular racing. Last night's race was the first of a series of three, between this pair of flyers for a purse of $400 and the title.

Burke came here Monday to train for the event. He put in considerable work on the track, and he showed by his work last night that he is thoroughly familiar with each and every turn. Many were of the opinion after the race that Burke took too many chances with his opponent, and feel that after the experience he acquired last night he will be a hard man for Nebes to beat tonight and tomorrow night, when the men will race five and ten miles respectively.

Nebes returned to Lowell yesterday morning, after appearing in three races on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights in Marlboro, where he won two out of the three events from Billy Moffatt of Worcester. In the final race at Marlboro on Wednesday night, which was over a ten mile course, Nebes was pushed to the limit, and only won after a desperate sprint in the last five laps. Moffatt gave him a great battle, and Nebes was forced to use everything he had to win. The result of the previous races affected Nebes last night, and after crossing the tape, he fell exhausted to the floor. He was carried to the dressing room, and soon recovered.

Before the big race last night, two amateurs, Gaudette of Lowell and Miller of Springfield appeared in a two mile race, which was won by the latter, by one lap.

The Big Race

Harry Burke of Bridgeport was then introduced, and he was given a great reception. He is a tall, rangy fellow, and was in fine condition. Nebes was then presented, and he was accorded an ovation. The skaters agreed, that in the event of a fall or any other accident happening in the first mile, the men would start over again, but that "everything counted" after the 1st mile. A coin was tossed and Burke took the pole. At the sound of the gun, both dashed off and Burke immediately jumped into the lead. He held it for four laps with Nebes right at his heels. He then attempted to force Nebes into the lead, but the Lowell boy appeared content to allow his opponent to set the pace. After two more laps, Burke again turned to Nebes and this time the title claimant took his defy and passed him right on one of the corners. This was the signal for some speedy sprinting, and both men let out all they had, and for six laps the spectators were treated to some exciting work. Nebes would first be in front, then Burke, and positions changed and rechanged several times before the first mile was finished. During the second mile, Burke held the lead practically the entire time. At the beginning of the third mile, the spectators were all on their toes, and they witnessed a skating treat. Burke continued to set the pace and it was extremely fast, but the Lowell boy held right on and refused to allow the Bridgeport flyer to shake him off. The two men were locked in a desperate struggle and while Nebes made several attempts to overcome Burke, it was not until 15 of the 19 laps of the final mile had been covered that he was able to take the lead. This was accomplished by a trick of the game, Nebes going by Burke on the outside. Ordinarily a man passes another on the inside, but Nebes' stunt caught Burke napping. Try as he did, he was unable to overcome Nebes, and the Lowell boy just crossed the line two yards to the good. After rounding the corner beyond the tape, Nebes collapsed. It was due to exhaustion and he quickly recovered. The time for the race was ten minutes.

Nebes took a rest this morning, not appearing at the rink for he wants to be in good shape for the five mile event tonight. Regardless of the outcome of tonight's race the ten mile event scheduled for tomorrow night will be pulled off, and the indications point to a record crowd. The spectators were well pleased with the race last night, and both performers were enthusiastically applauded during the entire race. The work of Burke appealed to all, and he was pronounced the best man brought to Lowell this season.

Tonight's race will start at 9.30 o'clock.

HAVERHILL HIGH WILL FACE STRONG ELEVEN

WESTERN SCHOOL TEAM HAS SPLENDID REPUTATION AS SCORING MACHINE

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—When the Haverhill high school eleven, football champion of Essex county, lines up for the kickoff which will mark the opening of its game with Scott high of Toledo, at Haverhill tomorrow they will confront the greatest scoring machine ever turned out by a Toledo institution.

In its nine regularly scheduled games this season the Scott eleven aggregated 483 points, an average of 53 7-9 points per game. Their opponents' combined scores netted 18.

Scott opened the season by running up 64 points on a team considered to be a representative high school aggregation. A week later it totalled 59 points and then in the third game of the year defeated Central high of Detroit, which last season engaged in a scoreless tie with Everett high school, by a score of 37 to 2. Then followed victories over Erie, Pa., Muskegon, Mich., Freeport, Ill., and Waite high of Toledo, all schools of considerable importance in the western gridiron world. The Erie eleven gave the Scott machine its greatest battle, holding the Toledoans to a 33 to 3 score.

The Scott varsity eleven probably will lineup tomorrow as follows:

Morehead, left end; Frank Culver, left tackle; Felton, left guard; MacNichol, centre; Baer, right guard; Geo. Culver, right tackle; Saunders, right end; Kirk, quarterback; Urschel, left halfback; Usher, right halfback, and Capt. Cowell, fullback.

Wetzel probably will replace Saunders during at least a part of the game and Vick will be called upon to substitute for either Cowell or Usher. Clash may go in at right guard and MacInnis at left guard for a portion of the contest.

The Haverhill eleven will outweigh the Scott eleven approximately seven pounds to the man. The Toledo team will average about 153, while their eastern opponents average about 160. Saunders at right end is the most diminutive of the Scott athletes, weighing but 132 pounds. MacNichol at centre, who tips the beam at 176, is the heaviest member of the squad.

VICTORS ROLL GOOD IN BRIDGE ST. LEAGUE

The Victors won an easy game from the Bowlaways on the Bridge street alleys in the Bridge street league last evening. Four members of the winning team averaged better than 100 a string. In the Broadway league on the Merrimack alleys the Bunnys won from the Breezes. Dick O'Brien, captain of the Bunnys, was high man with a total of 324. The Power House quintet of the Newton Mfg. Co. lost to the Olympics by four points.

The score:

POWDER HOUSE

	1	2	3	Tls
A. Doyle	105	97	96	298
Reed	94	134	100	328
Keete	91	109	95	295
Molloy	84	87	86	257
Ed Doyle	75	105	91	271
Totals	449	532	470	1440

OLYMPICS

Silcox	93	90	101	284
Costello	97	103	125	320
Mahon	87	95	86	268
O'Brien	94	94	82	270
Mitchell	112	85	96	292
Totals	481	472	491	1444

Bridge Street League

VICTORS

	1	2	3	Tls
Breen	121	107	100	328
Larkin	86	79	105	280
Nolan	122	101	93	317
McKenzie	105	107	91	303
Mullarkey	91	125	91	307
Totals	536	519	480	1535

BOWLAWAYS

Laffey	92	97	88	277
Hart	115	90	90	295
Florey	68	84	86	238
Ingalls	88	96	86	270
Small	97	98	94	289
Totals	460	465	444	1369

Bowlaway League

BUNNYS

	1	2	3	Tls
Sub	84	78	88	250
Cadden	80	88	72	240
Morrison	93	112	109	314
Kelly	83	76	82	241
R. O'Brien	89	106	125	321
Totals	429	454	486	1369

BREEZES

McCann	91	74	81	246
Donovan	109	93	76	278
Clancy	81	97	92	270
Rodgers	82	101	100	283
Mahoney	84	80	81	245
Totals	447	365	430	1322

McMahon Brothers Won

The McMahon Brothers won the first game of the season from the Royal Rs of the Scott Cigar Manufacturers—all cigar makers—by over 100 pins last night. The first string was tied with 429 but the second and last strings were one sided. The score:

McMAHON BROS.

James McMahon	80	97	101	278
George McMahon	79	99	97	275
Arthur McMahon	86	95	101	282
John McMahon	89	93	111	293
Ben McMahon	95	91	88	274
Totals	429	475	498	1402

ROYAL R

E. Scott	91	70	79	240
Davis	96	99	106	291
Scholes	100	79	83	262
Kane	74	78	84	236
W. Scott	68	109	84	261
Totals	429	409	485	1273

HANSEN WON DECISION FROM BARTLETT

PHINNEY BOYLE MATCHED TO MEET WINNER—HANSEN'S VICTORY WAS CLEAN CUT

Larry Hansen of Denmark, outpointed Walter Bartlett of California, in one of the best swatfests ever seen in Lawrence last night before the Unity Cycle club of that city. In a twelve round battle.

Both men threw science to the wind and waded into each other, shedding punches like a duck sheds water. Hansen came back strong in the closing round and strengthened his early lead which Bartlett had wiped out in the ninth, tenth and eleventh rounds. Hansen well earned the verdict he received as he did the best punching throughout while Bartlett put up a remarkable battle, finishing the contest with both eyes nearly closed and giving a great exhibition of gameness.

Phinney Boyle, of this city, will clash next week with Hansen, as Manager Crilley said before the main bout that he would match Boyle with the winner. Boyle has one decision over Hansen, as he defeated the rugged Hansen before the same club last year in a whirlwind battle. Boyle also boxes Mickey Donnelly at Boston Tuesday evening.

LOOKING BACKWARD

When old and bent we sit about
Conversing of the things we've seen,
We'll turn time's pages back, no doubt,
To reach the year nineteen sixteen.

And will some ancient then suggest
That was the year that saw us rent
By politics, the year the west
Elected Wilson president?

Or will some garrulous old man
Seek to recall the past once more
By slowly mapping out the plan
That marked the third year of the war?

No, "That's the year," we all will say,
"That Yale got back upon the job;
The year the Red Sox raced away,
The year that Tris outbatted Cobb."

Walter Trumbull in New York World.

DARTMOUTH AWARDS LETTERS

HANOVER, N. H., Dec. 8. Thirteen Dartmouth players received the football insignia for playing the requisite 15 minutes in either the Princeton or Pennsylvania games as a result of the deliberations of the athletic council yesterday afternoon.

The list includes E. H. Baxter, T. L. Cotton, A. O. Duhamel, J. W. Emery, Jr., B. O. Gerrish, A. B. Gile, K. L. Thielacher, P. W. Trier, F. J. Dussosoit, A. F. Youngstrom, J. L. Cunnell, E. W. Edwards and E. G. Neeley. According to the new rule of the council only the last named four got letters. The other nine men are eligible to wear the stripe signifying that they have won the letter twice.

FUNERAL NOTICES

DUFOR—The funeral of Clovis Dufor will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock, from St. Louis' church. Undertaker Napoleon Bilodeau has charge of the arrangements.

EMERSON—Died in Dracut, Dec. 7, at the Flint hospital, Frank Waldo Emerson, aged 64 years, 1 month and 19 days. Funeral services will be held at his home, 24 Bellevue street, this city, on Monday, Dec. 11, at 2.30 p.m. Friends invited without further notice. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

HATCH—Died Dec. 7, in this city, Cyrus G. Hatch, aged 81 years, 10 months and 28 days, at his home, 24 Starbird street. Funeral services will be held at 24 Starbird street, Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. Burial private. Kindly omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

HAYES—Died in Dracut, Dec. 6, at the home of his son, Heber R. Hayes, Willow avenue, Dracut, Charles W. Hayes, aged 87 years, 5 months and 8 days. Funeral services will be held at the home of his son, Willow avenue, Dracut, on Saturday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. Friends invited without further notice. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

KELLY—The funeral of James Kelly will take place from his late home, 147 Coburn street, Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. Funeral high mass at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangement in charge of C. H. Molloy Sons.

KELLY—The funeral of the late Miss M. Elizabeth Kelly will take place Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her home, No. 263 Cross street. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church Monday morning, the hour to be announced later. Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

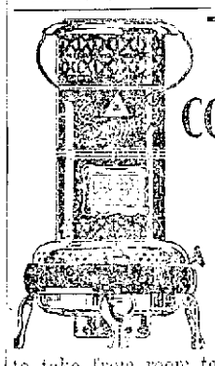
MOLLOY—The funeral of C. H. Molloy will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from his late home, 447 Bridge street. A solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Michael's church at 10 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery.

POQUETTE—Died Dec. 8, in this city, Chester W. Poquette, aged 4 months, 7 days, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Poquette, 18 Manufacturers street. Funeral services will be held at 18 Manufacturers street, Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

RILEY—The funeral of the late Mrs. Ellen Riley will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from her home, 159 Broadway. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

RICE—Died Dec. 6, in this city, Wesley F. Rice, aged 47 years, 5 months and 19 days, at his home, 666 School st. Funeral services will be held at 666 School street Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Owing to sickness in the family the services at the house and the grave will be private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

WALSH—Died in this city, Dec. 7, at her home, 62 Lundberg street, Mrs. Mary Jane Walsh, aged 57 years, 6 months and 3 days. Funeral services will be held at her late home, 62 Lundberg street on Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.



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FUNERALS

JACOBSON—The funeral of Barnett Jacobson took place yesterday from the home, 135 Railroad street. Burial was in the Hebrew cemetery, Pelham, N. H., under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

MARTIN—The funeral of George Thomas Martin was held yesterday afternoon from the home of his parents, Eugene and Clara Martin, 40 Hudson street. Burial was in the Edson cemetery. The funeral was in charge of Undertakers Higgins Brothers.

McRAE—The body of the late John T. McCrae was sent to his home in Middlebury, Vt., last night by Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

PENDERGAST—The funeral of Andrew Pendergast was held yesterday from the rooms of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons. Burial was in Salisbury Point cemetery, Salisbury, where a committal service was read by Rev. James Smith.

MASS NOTICE

There will be a month's mind mass for the late Jack H. Coffey at St. Patrick's church Saturday morning, at 8 o'clock.

MASS NOTICE

There will be an anniversary mass Monday morning at eight o'clock at the Immaculate Conception church for the late Thomas J. O'Leary.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, take this means of publicly expressing our heartfelt thanks to our many friends, who, by their consoling words and profuse floral tributes helped to lighten our burden of sorrow in the recent death of our beloved wife and sister, Mrs. Gertrude (Clark) Hartigan.

In special manner do we thank the employes of the night construction and day boiler departments of the U.S. Cartridge Co., for their magnificent spiritual and floral offerings. Such deeds and their names shall ever be foremost in our grateful and loving remembrance.

William J. Hartigan.
Mrs. P. J. Garrity.
Frederick, Clifford and Benjamin Clark.

MASS NOTICE

There will be a month's mind mass for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Mary Healey Saturday morning, Nov. 9th, at 8 o'clock, the offering of the Rosary society, at St. Michael's church.

DEATHS

HATCH—Cyrus G. Hatch died yesterday at his home, 24 Starbird street, aged 81 years. He leaves two sons, Horatio W. and George C. Hatch. Mr. Hatch was a member of Pentucket lodge, A.F. and A.M.

EMERSON—Frank W. Emerson died yesterday at Flint hospital in Dracut, aged 64 years. His home was at 24 Bellevue street. He is survived by his wife, Lora H. Emerson; one half brother, Walter S. Dockham and a half sister, Mrs. Henry P. Hutchins of Nashua, N. H. Mr. Emerson was a past master of Pentucket lodge, A.F. and A.M., and a member of Mount Horeb Royal Arch chapter, Ahasuerus council and Pilgrim commandery, Knights Templars.

DUFOR—Clovis Dufor, aged 56 years, died this morning at his home in St. Paul street, Dracut.

KELLY—Miss M. Elizabeth Kelly, daughter of the late James and Ann T. Gaffney Kelly, died last night at her home, 263 Cross street. Deceased was an esteemed member and a devout attendant of St. Patrick's church and was prominently identified with the interests of the parish. She leaves two sisters, the Misses Sarah A. and Josephine T. Kelly, three brothers, Peter A. of Los Angeles; Frank T. of Lowell and John J. of Los Angeles, California.

MOUNTFORD—Mrs. Mary Mountford, widow of the late John Mountford, passed away early this morning at her home, 52 London street, at the age of 79 years, 5 months and 4 days. Mrs. Mountford was born in Macclesfield, Chessaire, Eng., and has been a resident of this city for the past 34 years. She is survived by three sons, John T. W. Mountford of Stoddard, N. H.; Robert W. and James E. of this city; two daughters, Mrs. Carl Santosson of Australia and Miss Maude M. Mountford of this city. Mrs. Mountford was one of the oldest members of the First Primitive Methodist church.

WALSH—Mrs. Mary J. Walsh, widow of the late John Walsh, formerly of the Walsh Worsted Mfg. Co., passed away last evening at her home, 62 Lundberg street, after a short illness at the age of 58 years, 6 months and 3 days. Mrs. Walsh is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Fred W. Duncklee and one son, Frank E. Walsh; two stepsons, William E. all of this city and James H. Walsh of Lawrence also by two grandchildren.

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BOSTON, Dec. 8.—Operatives in virtually all cotton mills in Maine will receive an advance in wages of about 10 per cent. beginning Jan. 1, it was learned today. The advance was voted at a conference of mill treasurers and agents in this city yesterday. All of the principal cotton manufacturing interests in Maine are understood to have been represented.

MILLS AFFECTED

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 8.—Cotton mill operatives in the larger mills in Maine, affected by the increase of 10 per cent. in wages, which will become effective on Jan. 1, include those in mills at Waterville, Augusta, Brunswick, Biddeford, Saco, Auburn and Lewiston. It is believed here that a corresponding increase will be granted those in the smaller mills. Cotton manufacturing plants in Maine, according to the last report of the Maine department of labor, employ 15,510 hands on an average.

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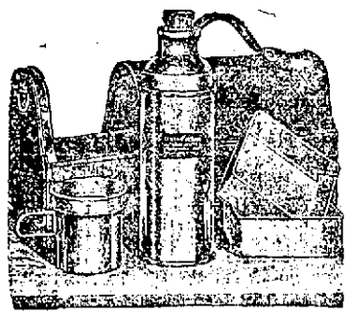
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.

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6.35	7.36	9.15	10.32
7.34	8.45	10.50	11.53
9.40	10.53	11.50	12.55
10.50	12.07	3.30	4.41
12.05	1.13	5.14	6.12
3.42	4.41	6.03	7.05
5.14	6.44	6.40	7.57
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Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.30	12.09
9.14	10.05	1.00	1.59
1.20	11.17	5.30	6.21
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.20
5.10	6.05	8.00	8.33
6.28	7.10	8.30	9.08
8.15	8.57	9.20	10.25
8.45	9.38	10.29	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.18
12.07	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.06	3.30	4.45
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LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE

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and over the stage was a large banner with the words "Welcome" flashing out in golden letters. The arrangement of the tables was very effective and at the close of the dinner those present gathered to the central part of the hall and listened to the addresses by the two prominent speakers who were closely followed and at times heartily applauded.

The music throughout the evening was of a very high order and called forth appreciative comment from the speakers and the heartiest applause from the audience. Before the dinner a concert of patriotic airs was given by the California boys' band of the Keith circuit and at intervals throughout the evening selections were given by the Boston quintet, consisting of Robert Nichols, Walter E. Anderton, Dr. Arthur Gould, Augustus T. Beatey and Roy E. Harlow. Many of their numbers were from the classic operas and it is a healthy sign of local appreciation that these were the most enjoyed.

At the head table sat H. H. Wheaton, Robert F. Marden, George W. Perkins, Hon. James E. O'Donnell, John A. Hunnewell, W. H. Watson, Harvey B. Greene, Rev. Dr. Keleher, Rev. Mr. English, Newell F. Putnam, William W. Duncan, C. H. Nelson, H. A. Smith, A. G. Walsh and representatives of the press.

Robert F. Marden

At 7:30 President Robert F. Marden called to order and made a brief introductory address. He said that the dinner was for a very specific purpose and that its title "America First" went further than the wearing of the flag which each had been given as a favor. Dinners are forgotten, he said, but the truths uttered remain when based on a solid foundation. He especially asked for the speakers the closest attention of Lowell men, because Lowell has a vital interest in the two main topics of the evening. He also spoke in a lighter vein, commenting on the singers and making allusions which were not lost on the audience.

George W. Perkins

Before making his main address, which he read from manuscript, George W. Perkins spoke informally in a witty vein. He praised the Boston quintet which, he said, had changed his previous impression that the only good thing that came out of Boston was the 4 o'clock train for New York. Commenting on the statement of Mr. Marden that one of the speakers could not appear because he was "summoned by the national government," Mr. Perkins said "He has my sympathy. I know what that means." Apologizing for the hoarseness of his voice he said "It is because I cheered so loud and long after the recent election."

He said in part:

The topic assigned to me by your president is "The Development and Protection of American Trade, Domestic and Foreign." This is certainly a subject that should be most thoroughly and generally discussed at this moment. The great pity is that it has not had more general discussion in recent years, especially during the last two or three years, for in regard to both our foreign and domestic trade I most cordially agree with the statement made by Mr. Hughes during the recent campaign to the effect that we are living in a fool's paradise.

The subject is so broad and the existing condition so serious that it is impossible to cover it in a paper to be read at a luncheon. I will, therefore, simply state the more salient points of the subject as I see them and endeavor to do it in such a way as to inspire some of you not only to go more deeply into the subject but to follow your study with some immediate action. It has been amazing to me for a number of years that our usually keen, alert, resourceful business men have been content to let drift matters that are so vital not only to them but to the future well-being of our country as a whole.

Many of you know that I have believed for years and have been arguing for years that the greater part of our present day difficulties in foreign and domestic trade has arisen through the passage and attempted enforcement of the Sherman law. That law was passed 26 years ago. It was passed because with the advent of large corporations had come abuses and evils of which the people were beginning to complain. The framers of the Sherman law evidently felt that as the abuses complained of were, to a considerable extent, modern, they existed because the giant corporation with which they were associated was likewise modern. They therefore enacted legislation which struck at the size and magnitude of business enterprises, believing that if they could reduce the size they would reduce the evils.

Our utter neglect to put up a manly, courageous, intelligent fight has brought us face to face with problems of a most serious and far-reaching nature; for while we have been pursuing a business policy of repression and dissolution, Germany, for instance, has been pursuing a policy of expansion and combination. Twenty-five years ago we began to legislate against the attempt to do business by co-operative effort. At almost the same time Germany began to legislate in favor of doing business by co-operative effort. She organized her industries into large business units and did it with the hearty co-operation and assistance of her government. She has saved the waste, improved the efficiency and prevented improper practices, and has strengthened herself in every possible way by so doing; strengthened herself in domestic trade, benefited her working classes, and improved the quality of her output. In her foreign trade she has gone ahead by leaps and bounds, outstripping nearly all her rivals. In her use of modern methods of intercommunication and in her application of science to many of the practical every-day business affairs of the world, she has outstripped every other nation.

At about the time that our government was dissolving the Standard Oil company the German Steel syndicate, embracing a very large percentage of the German steel business men, met in Berlin. Sharp differences arose between the manufacturers and they were about to dissolve the syndicate, go home and fight for business independently, when the German minister of finance sent them word not to adjourn until he could come to their meeting. He went to the meeting and notified them that they could not disband the syndicate; that they must stay in session until they had worked out some method of continuing the co-operative arrangement under which they had been working.

Our government insists on a policy of dissolution; the German government insists on a policy of co-operation.

This was the situation when the war broke out and a colossal, unprecedented opportunity beckoned to our country. But we took absolutely no advantage of it. We kept to our course, continued our effort to smash up our large business units, continued the fight between government and business, passed some make-believe laws at Washington, and allowed ourselves to be soothed by some beautifully-rounded phrases to the effect that all was now well between our government and our business. Our newspapers told us when the war broke out that we were at once going to capture the trade of the world and become the great financial and commercial centre of the universe.

The Cotton Trade

The war had hardly broken out when we were telling ourselves that we would at once capture the cotton trade of the world. What has happened? Notwithstanding the colossal war England has been conducting, notwithstanding the financial and other aid she has had to give her allies, England sold to South America in the first eight months of 1914 over 200,000,000 yards of cotton goods. In the same period of this year she has sold South America over 300,000,000 yards—an increase of 100,000,000 yards. This increase alone exceeded our entire exportation of cotton goods to South America in the first eight months of this year.

Our country produces two-thirds of the cotton of the world, yet our exports of cotton piece goods to the entire world amounted to but 500,000,000 yards in the fiscal year of 1916; while England exported nearly that amount in each and every month of the same year.

England has been doing all this while we have been doing a large part of England's manufacturing in war materials. It is quite evident that England has not been so engrossed in the manufacture of war materials for her great war that she could not keep her foreign trade; but it is equally evident that we have been so engrossed in manufacturing war materials for England's great war that we could not capture any of England's foreign trade and could not improve the golden opportunity to build up our own foreign trade. We have been doing the ephemeral thing. England the permanent thing. We have been doing the ephemeral thing because of the utter lack of statesmanship at Washington and a get-rich-quick policy among our manufacturers and business men generally throughout the country. I for one feel very keenly that it is high time to call a halt; we must arouse ourselves to the dangers confronting us, for we are as unprepared for peace as we are for war."

President's Message

After referring to President Wilson's statement in his message to congress relative to the necessity of building up our export trade, the speaker proceeded to pay his respects to the Wilson administration. He said the president's statement was a splendid one, but didn't square itself with other statements made by the president during the year as to the clarifying virtues of the Clayton act and the Federal Trade commission.

"All the Clayton bills that can be enacted, all the Federal Trade commissions that can be established, all the finely-worded messages that can be addressed to congress," said the speaker, "will avail us nothing so long as the Sherman law remains on our statute books in its present form and is used by our government as its chief weapon to destroy large business organizations. It is impossible for us to have large industrial units with which to compete for the business of the world so long as the Sherman law remains on the books in its present form.

"The Sherman law has been the politician's greatest asset, the business man's greatest liability, and the public's broken reed.

Europe's Gold

"When this war is over we are going to have a preponderance of Europe's gold. Europe will not only want to get this gold back, but she will have to get it back. She can get it back in but two ways—in trade or by sending battleships over here and taking it. In my judgment she will have an opportunity to try both ways. First, she will send us manufactured goods at a price so low that our factories cannot compete on anything like our present wage scale. She can do this because her millions of men who are now in the armies will be only too glad to get back to some safe occupation at even meagre wages. Furthermore, she can do it because hundreds of thousands of women in Europe are now engaged in various occupations in which men have heretofore been engaged, and these women will continue to do some of this work. She can do it because she has learned the value of co-operation and how to save waste. She can do it because she has increased the number of her factories and installed the most modern machinery, supplemented by many new inventions.

"I believe that the European powers will one day demand of us a settlement of their claims against Mexico which, in the aggregate, unquestionably represent a very large sum. When this time comes, we will have to settle for cash ourselves, or force Mexico to settle, or defend our Monroe doctrine in a war with Europe. And what will more quickly draw the European countries together than a common cause against our bulging pocketbook?

"I believe we should immediately have from the congress just now convening, constructive legislation that will relieve our railroads of their enormous embarrassment and that will permit them to obtain federal charters or some form of federal license; that we should either abolish the Sherman law or so modify it that large business units can be legally conducted under the supervision and regulation of the federal government, in such a way as to bring benefit to producer, consumer, stockholder and labor alike, eradicating through supervision and publicity the evils of which the public complained and preserving the economic advantages that they undoubtedly provide; that questions relating to industrial occupations should be under federal regulation and control, particularly where the state laws regarding them are all at sixes and sevens. In short, that we should frankly recognize and admit that we can no longer act as though we were 48 separate nations and if we wish to continue to call ourselves the United States of America and speak of ourselves as a nation. The cable, the telephone, the wireless, the submarine, the airship demand that we become a unified nation, in fact as well as theory, just as the other nations of the world are unified, and that we work for but one single purpose, viz., the best, the highest good of the nation as a whole."

H. H. Wheaton

H. H. Wheaton of the federal bureau of education proved a speaker of unusual force, eloquence and logic. He said that before we adopt the things on which Mr. Perkins spoke it shall be necessary to weld this nation into a unified whole and this cannot be done while there is a vast immigration pouring in yearly and not being assimilated. He spoke in an idealistic vein saying that we must still be mindful of the oppressed of other lands and must reach them the helping hand of education. He told of what is now being done by his department at Washington and of the response of Detroit, Chicago and other cities. His specific plea was for the cultivation and promotion of means to bring the immigrants into schools where they may learn English and become imbued with American standards. He said, in part:

"Mr. Perkins, in the back of his mind, I think, means before anything else a unified country," said Mr. Wheaton. "America first in allegiance, America first in efficiency, America first in fighting for the common good, and America first in the right—those are the things we want."

We believe in equality of opportunity, he said, and because of that the constitution was written, and when that was written we were more or less a unified country. Since that time there has been more or less of a change. We have secured an influx from every quarter of the globe, he said. Following those who had ideals and aspirations like our own, there came another influx—after the Civil war. Labor came from southern and eastern Europe—Croatia, Poland, Russia, Turkey, Syria and eventually from China. It brought in races far different from our own. It swelled and grew and until 1905 when it touched the million mark. When the present war broke out one-third of our entire population was foreign-born.

American Type

The problem is that of adjusting that mass to the fundamental American type—whatever that type may be. The problem is serious in every one of its aspects. In 1910 there were over nine millions who could not speak the language of this country, and 1,660,000 were illiterate in any language.

In the world of business the question is equally difficult, and the question of housing is closely related. Then there are the colonies in our big cities, where problems of sanitation and education must be solved.

But, to start the thing right, he said, Mr. Wheaton felt that we should start at home and Americanize Americans. Some of the rustics, some of the arts, much of the boldness and daring and desire for equality and opportunity which the immigrants bring with them should be preserved.

We should give to the foreigner the English language, and then should get in touch with him and draw out of him the finer qualities he possesses. It is business' obligation to take up these men and seek to make them efficient workers. Business is paying those men's wages—industry is keeping them here. But if business men do not see that these men are put in the positions where they rightfully belong, does not see that they are given as large a measure of efficiency as possible, then a solution of the problem has not been solved.

Most of the immigrants came here from rural life, into a sphere for which they have been but poorly fitted.

Mr. Wheaton said that his department had appealed to labor unions, to educators, to the newspapers, in an "America First" movement, with the idea of more thoroughly Americanizing the immigrants. The desire was to get into closer touch with the evening schools. He cited Detroit as an example of what had been done along this line. Civic and fraternal organizations, business and patriotic societies carried on the campaign, and Detroit increased its attendance of men at evening schools by 152 per cent. over the year previously. Chicago and Pittsburg have carried on similar campaigns.

In this year the business man has learned what it means to have an unnaturalized class of labor. Statistics show more accidents, loss of efficiency and dropping down of production where unnaturalized workers have been employed.

The second phase of the campaign is the teaching of English and civics in manufacturing plants. The Ford Motor Co. has done this, and as a result accidents have been reduced 52 per cent. The Packard Motor Co. does likewise and compels attendance at such schools.

Business men see an economic gain through fewer accidents, less loss of time, greater general efficiency. "When we think of this problem as true Americanism, there we will see the real reason why we should treat the immigrant in this manner.

"We should make America first in the real big sense, for before we can go far in tackling the big problems we should have a united people within the United States."

Music and Toast

Between the two addresses of the evening there was an interval given over to music and the Boston quintet were encored so often that they had to give a virtual recital. They sang such old favorites as "The Rosary," "Love's Old Sweet Song" and "The Stein Song" and such ambitious numbers as the sextet from Lucia and selections from Rigoletti and Carmen.

At the close of the musical selections President Marden rose and proposed a toast "To the United States of America." The toast was drunk in Moxie supplied by Harry A. Thompson as a compliment to the board of trade.

The evening was brought to a close by a hearty singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" and the hundreds of guests went into the cool night air with the slogan "America First" ringing in their ears.

KEEPS YOUTHS IN GREECE

ATHENS, Dec. [illegible]—Owing to the great increase in the emigration of natives to the United States, who have not reached the age to perform their military service, the Greek government has increased the amount of deposit to be made with the government by the parents or guardians of any minor male child who leaves Greece. A youth born in 1898 must deposit, or his parents must deposit for him $1[illegible] [illegible] born in 1899, $[illegible]; in 1900, [illegible]; 1902, $[illegible] and 1903, $[illegible]. Without this deposit being made it is made illegal for any male Greek of the age indicated to secure a ticket on a foreign bound vessel.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

NICE COTTAGE of 7 rooms for sale; near Kinsman st.; fine repair inside and out; $1350. M. Quealy, 41 Royal st. Tel. 2958-W.

STORE, STABLE and 2000 ft. of land for sale. Inquire 382 Lawrence st.

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SHOE REPAIRING SHOP for sale, first class, with motor and finishing bench, all tools necessary, well established. Write E39, this office.

DANDY SITTING ROOM STOVE for sale. Glenwood medium size, having installed steam heat cause for selling. 606 Gorham street.

LUNCH ROOM for sale; busy location; near factories; living rooms, cheap rent; bargain. Write K 52, Sun Office.

FAST ROADSTER in good condition, for sale; price $125. Address L 18, Sun Office.

PIANO bargain, upright, chair, $75, easy terms. Write 3 49, Sun Office.

WANTED

HOME wanted for upright piano, must be placed at once; might consider selling later if satisfactory arrangements can be made. Address 285, Sun Office.

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LEGAL NOTICES

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Jacob Krikorian, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to John S. Brodie, of said Lowell, dated January 23, 1915, and recorded in the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 280, will be sold at public auction upon the premises on Saturday, the twenty-third day of December, 1916, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, containing ten thousand four hundred fifty-five (10,455) square feet, more or less, situated on the southerly side of Tyler Street and the westerly side of Lawrence Street in said Lowell, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the granted premises at the intersection of said streets; thence running southerly on said Lawrence Street one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to land now or formerly of E. B. Patch; thence running westerly at a right angle on said Patch land one hundred two (102) feet to land now or formerly of Horace J. Adams; thence running northerly on said Adams land one hundred two and one half (102½) feet to said Tyler street; thence running easterly on said Tyler Street one hundred two (102) feet to the point of beginning. Said premises will be conveyed subject to the condition or restriction so far as the same is now in force, that no building shall be erected on the same within eight (8) feet of said Tyler Street, as provided in earlier deeds. Being the same premises conveyed to said Jacob Krikorian by said John S. Brodie and Alvira Brodie by their deed dated January 23, 1915, and recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Book 533, Page 278. Said premises will be conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes or any other assessments if any there be.

Frederic S. Harvey,
Assignee of said mortgage.

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Administratrix' Sale of Real Estate

By virtue of a license from the Probate Court within and for the County of Middlesex, Massachusetts, will sell at Public Auction on the premises, on Saturday, December 9, 1916, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the following described parcel of real estate with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows, to wit: A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on the north side of Lagrange Street in said Lowell, and bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on said Lagrange Street which is about ninety-four feet and three inches distant easterly from Marion Street at land now or formerly of one French; thence northerly along said French land, seventy-six feet and eight inches to land now or formerly of one Murray; thence at a right angle easterly twenty-eight feet and seven inches to a stake at said Murray land; thence at a right angle southerly, fifteen feet and one inch; thence at a right angle easterly, four feet and six inches; thence at a right angle southerly along said Murray land, sixty-one feet and seven inches to said Lagrange Street; thence westerly along said Lagrange Street thirty-three feet [illegible] and one inch to the point of beginning.

Being the same premises conveyed to Patrick Kane by Ellen McArdell by her deed dated August [illegible], 18[illegible] and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 1[illegible], Page [illegible].

Terms and conditions of sale to be announced by auctioneer at time of sale.

Witness, Agnes C. Kirwin to mark of M. K.

Her
Mary X Kane,
mark.
Administratrix of the Estate of
Patrick Kane.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Mar[illegible] [illegible], late of W[illegible] in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Henry W. [illegible], who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County of Middlesex, on the [illegible]teenth day of December A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this [illegible] day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. Esty, Register.

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KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

2 All box numbers commencing with two as 21, 23, etc., are located in the business area about one-quarter mile radius from the post office, extending from Boott mills to South common and from Dutton street to Concord river.

3 All box numbers commencing with three, are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the depot to Wilder street and from Hale street along the line of Western avenue and Pawtucket canal to Pawtucket street.

4 All box numbers commencing with four, are located in the Ayer's City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

HELP WANTED

GIRL wanted at once. Call John McManus, 13 Merrimack Square.

TEXTILE MILLS MEN wanted. Overseer cotton ring spinning; brush maker, worsted mill; second-hand woolen carding, $21; general second-hand in cotton carding; woolen, worsted and cotton loom fixers; finished percher for position in Boston; cotton spindle setter, $18; fixer J. & B. Mules, $15; second-hand Universal winding on thread, $18 week; dresser tender, woolens; sewing machine fixer, $25. Charles F. Raymond Agency, 294 Washington St., Boston.

WOMAN wanted for housework. Call at 13 Riverside ave.

SUSPENDER WEB WEAVERS wanted at T. Martin & Bro. Mfg. Co., 100 Cambridge st.

FREE—12 decorated teacups and saucers for selling 24 popular song books at 10c each. Write T 13, Sun Office.

ALL ROUND MACHINISTS with at least four years' experience wanted; good pay. Middlesex Service Bureau, 368 Middlesex st.

AUTOMOBILE PAINTER AND FINISHER wanted, must be first class; steady job; good wages. Apply Indian Head Garage, Nashua, N. H.

EXPERIENCED GIRL wanted for general housework. Apply 279 Nesmith st.

SHEAR TENDERS and PERCHERS

Wanted at once at Talbot Mills, No. Billerica.

LOST AND FOUND

HAND BAG containing two pocketbooks found Saturday night, in front of Woolworth's 5 & 10c store. Owner may have same by calling at 23 Lombard st., identifying property and paying for this advertisement.

FOX HOUND PUPPY lost, black, white and brown. Please return to Hugh Mullen, 7 Fay's court.

SMALL BLACK POCKETBOOK lost Saturday, near Merrimack square, containing sum of money. Reward if returned to 134 Moore street.

SPECIAL NOTICES

WALL PAPERING—Painting—Rooms papered, $2.00. We will paper your room with up-to-date wall paper for $2.00. Painting, glazing, whitewashing, etc., at equally low prices. H. J. McCarthy, 632-641 Broadway.

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STEAM HEATED ROOM to let in private family in Highlands, near car line, home privileges; gentleman preferred. Write P8, Sun Office.

NEW BUILDINGS to let; a 6-room cottage [illegible] an tenement, two 5-room tenements with bath each. Tel. 2072, or call at 53 Lowell st.

LARGE FRONT ROOM to let; furnished, electric lights, steam heat, use of bath and telephone. 136 Smith st. Tel. [illegible]

COTTAGE to let at S [illegible] st. and 3-[illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] Cushing st.

ROOMS for light housekeeping, to let, at 198 Pawtucket st.

FURNISHED ROOMS to let, steam heat, hot and cold water, lavatory in each room, bath and use of telephone, in private family. Inquire 273 High st.

LARGE CORNER STORE to let, at 462 Middlesex st., rent reasonable. Apply by phone 5148.

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OFFICE—Large office, 34 by 14 feet on the second floor of the Harrington building, 52 Central st., good light and ventilation, for rent. Will be partitioned off to suit a desirable tenant and will be rented or leased at a very reasonable rent. Apply to Building Manager, 401 Sun bldg.

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BILLERICA HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATED TODAY

With the new hall in the school filled to overflowing, the recently completed Howe high school building of Billerica was dedicated at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon when exercises appropriate for the occasion were held. There were present many pupils and parents who keenly enjoyed the literary and musical program that continued throughout the afternoon.

Featuring the program were addresses by Clarence D. Kingsley, agent of the state board of education, Hon. Payson Smith, LL.D., commissioner of education of the state of Massachusetts, J. Nelson Parker of Billerica, and Eugene C. Vining, superintendent of schools and principal of the Howe high school. The presentation of the keys to the town was made by Charles H. Eames, chairman of the building committee; Prescott L. Pasho, clerk of the board of selectmen and Dr. Maurice A. Buck, chairman of the school committee.

The program was as follows:

Overture, "Morning, Noon and Night,"
Orchestra
Invocation,
Rev. J. Harold Dale
Address,
Some Opportunities Afforded by the Old Howe School,
J. Nelson Parker
President of the Trustees of the Howe School
"Introduction and Rondo," Duo for Clarinet and Flute.
Messrs. Bagley and Bissonnette
Address,
Some Opportunities Afforded by the New Howe High School
Clarence D. Kingsley
Serenades for Flute and Cello,
Messrs. Bissonnette and Ippolito
Presentation of Keys,
Charles H. Eames
Chairman of Building Committee
Prescott L. Pasho,
Clerk of Board of Selectmen,
Dr. Maurice A. Buck,
Chairman of School Committee
Address,
Education for Citizenship
Hon. Payson Smith, LL.D.
Commissioner of Education—Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Selections From the Musical Comedy "Katinka,"
Orchestra
"America,"
Benediction,
Rev. W. H. Doggett

The committees were as follows:

Building: Charles H. Eames, chairman; Thomas T. Clark, secretary; Dr. Maurice A. Buck, Burton O. Sanford and Nathaniel R. Jones.

School: Dr. Maurice A. Buck, chairman, Herbert B. Hosmer, secretary; J. Frederick Gannon.

Before and after the dedication the beautiful building was open to inspection.

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All settings; all sizes; all prices.
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A QUARTER CENTURY AGO

In a recent article I referred to the Ladies' Night of the Catholic union, held quarter of a century ago, at which the attraction was the presentation of an original sketch with music, being mostly a merry satire on the male members of the Union, written as the old Sun said "By a member of the Catholic union."

A few days later I received a communication from a gentleman who attended the performance referred to, which read as follows:

"The Old Timer, Lowell Sun.

Dear Sir: I read with much enjoyment your account of the Ladies' Night held by the Catholic union in Mechanics hall 25 years ago, when the very cleverly written and faultlessly presented musical satire, "Mrs. Grundy's Pink Tea," was presented. There was one out about your story and I am at a loss to account for it as newspapermen are usually given to booming one another. You neglected to mention that the sketch was written and presented under the direction of John H. Harrington, who tried to hide his light under a bushel by keeping the name of the author off the program, but whose identity was discovered before the evening was over, and who was obliged to step before the footlights and acknowledge the plaudits of the delighted audience. If Mr. Harrington left his name off the program because he feared the criticism of the audience he was falsely alarmed for to use a slang expression "The show went big," and while quarter of a century has passed since he penned the little skit, I believe he could do it again if he would.

Respectfully yours,

Another Old Timer.

The reason I didn't mention the name of the author of the sketch was because it didn't appear in the old Sun, for all of us in this business are more or less inclined to modesty. Had I known it, however, well——I might have done otherwise.

Mr. Harrington wrote "Mrs. Grundy's Pink Tea" and selected the performers, all of whom were members of the union, of the fair sex, and possessed of unusual talent. The skit was a succession of rapid-fire dialogue aimed at the gentlemen of the organization, all of whom were present and had to take their medicine. Even at that early day Mr. Harrington had had considerable experience at writing about people and things, and possessed a style that was original and charming—at times. The performers entered into the spirit of the affair and did full justice to all of the fine points made by the author. Of the several talented young misses who "conspired" with Mr. Harrington to make the affair the grand success that it was, two, I believe, have passed away since that time. One of them Miss Annie Lee, afterward Mrs. Maguire, who had the role of "Abigail Cornstalk," has since departed this life, but a charming daughter reflects her mother's amiability, talents and grace of manner. Miss Lilla Cook who possessed a sweet and finely cultivated soprano voice and who on that occasion was "Adelina Patti," one of the soloists, died only recently leaving behind a host of friends to mourn her loss. Of the others, "Mrs. Grundy," Miss Mary McLaughlin, is now Mrs. A. A. Cunningham; "Mrs. John Jacob Disister," a society leader, was admirably presented by Miss Kittie Dempsey, now the wife of Col. James H. Carmichael and mother of a large and very promising family. "Georgianna Biddle, an elocutionist," was finely presented by Miss Mary Donnelly, who is happily married and is traveling with her husband. "Angelina Windmill" was the character assigned to Miss Alberta Lane, who is now Mrs. Edward F. Saunders, wife of our popular chief of the fire department. And of all that remain, the lady whom fate has taken farthest away from the scene of her early histrionic triumph was Miss Mary McGovern, now Mrs. Charles Hart, of Los Angeles, where her husband conducts a large hotel at which all Lowell people who have stopped there, have been treated with the height of hospitality. Mrs. Hart in "Mrs. Grundy's Pink Tea" portrayed the character of "Gwendoline Allgush," an expressive if not particularly attractive name for a lady. The character of "Nellie Sprite," a waiting maid, was capably taken by Miss Mary Nawn now Mrs. Mary Devine. "Edith Newbud," just coming out, was Minnie Delaney, who made such a hit at her coming out with a male member of the audience, Mr. John A. O'Hearn, formerly in the clothing business in this city, that they were married a few years later. "Lillian Nordica," another operatic star, was portrayed to the manor born by Miss Nellie Murphy; now Mrs. Nellie McEvoy, who also is the mother of several bright and promising children. "Mandolina Pickering" was the character taken by Miss Nellie Lynch, now Mrs. Green, while that of "Bertha Rubinstein" was presented by Miss Kittie Keyes, now Mrs. Stephen J. Johnson. The role of "Clara Laberge Stratton" was well presented by Miss Alice Dempsey, now the wife of Dr. George Leahey.

If Mr. Harrington or anyone else should take it into his head one of these days to write a play of a juvenile nature, he would easily find sufficient talent among the children of the ladies above mentioned to present the offering.

THE OLD TIMER.

LITTLE SICKNESS AMONG FRENCH AT VERDUN

FORT VAUX, December.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—French soldiers have withstood the awful rigors and privations of the fighting during the wet fall in the sector around Verdun with notably little sickness. The army doctor in charge of a division told the Associated Press correspondent the number of sick in many of the battalions was as low as three or four per thousand.

Men in the front line are put to the trying experience of remaining for days at a time in the open crouching in shell-holes which have been joined together by stiff spade work. At this period of the year the frequent rains and wet mists drench them to the skin while the mud in which they lie soon changes their uniforms from light blue to a color which is indistinguishable from the field-gray of the Germans or the khaki of the British. At the same time, their food, which, of course, has to be eaten cold, is often spoilt by the foul water penetrating their haversacks, and their small supply of water or other drink, is often exhausted long before they are relieved.

MATRIMONIAL

Artemus B. Woodworth, Jr., of this city and Miss Isabella A. Ward, of Peabody were married last evening at the home of the bride's brother, Milburn P. Ward of 45 Warren street, Peabody, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Jason G. Miller of the South Congregational church. After an extended wedding trip the couple will make their home at 20 Belmont street, this city.

REMEDY FOR NEURASTHENIA

Neurasthenia is a condition of exhaustion of the nervous system. The causes are varied. Continuous work, mental or physical, without proper vacation periods, without proper attention to diet and exercise, also worry over the struggle for success, are the most common causes. Excesses of almost any kind may produce it. Some diseases, like the grip, will cause neurasthenia. So also will a severe shock, intense anxiety or grief.

The symptoms are oversensitiveness, irritability, a disposition to worry over trifles, headache, possibly nausea.

The treatment is one of nutrition of the nerve cells, requiring a non-alcoholic tonic. As the nerves get their nourishment from the blood the treatment must be directed towards building up the blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills act directly on the blood and have proved of the greatest benefit in many cases of neurasthenia. A tendency to anemia, or bloodlessness, shown by most neurasthenic patients, is also corrected by these tonic pills.

Two useful books "Diseases of the Nervous System" and "What to Eat and How to Eat" will be sent free by the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Your own druggist sells Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

FINE MINSTREL SHOW IN ASSOCIATE HALL

ENTERTAINMENT AND DANCE BY LOCAL NO. 745, I.A. of M. OF U. S. CARTRIDGE SHOP

The minstrel show and dance held last night in Associate hall, under the auspices of Local No. 745, I.A. of M. of the U. S. Cartridge shop proved a success in every particular. The hall was crowded to the doors and the excellent program was worthy of the generous patronage. Each and every number of the entertainment was given in a highly artistic manner, and all performers were obliged to respond to encores.



MARTIN H. MAGUIRE

The minstrel spectacle, given under the able direction of Martin H. Maguire, formerly of the Glendale quartet, assisted by Edward Rogers, proved one of the best minstrel entertainments ever given in Lowell. The stage setting, supervised by John Buey, added much to the success of the show, and all other details, which were in the hands of capable officers, were carried out in a praiseworthy manner.

When the curtain went up, the stage presented a most beautiful picture. The large troupe, all neatly attired, the numerous electrical effects and the artistic decorations, was a sight that brought forth tumultuous applause. When the applause had subsided, Denis J. Sullivan, who performed the duties of interlocutor most acceptably, stepped forward and announced that the first number of "A night with 745" would be a chorus by the entire company.

This was given with great volume and harmony and the excellent work was greatly appreciated by the audience. The following program was then carried out:

End song—Oh How She Could Yacki, Hacki, Wicki, Wacki, Woo
Chas. Clancy
Solo—When I Met You
Edward Shaughnessy
End song—Take Me To Alabam'
Chas. Mattison
Solo—Selected ...... Martin McGuire
End song—Down Where the Swanee River Flows ...... Emmet Roberts
Solo—When the Rainbow Shines Bright in the Morn ... Fred Paquette
End song—When the Major Plays the Minor Melodies ...... Frank O'Brien
Solo—Selected ...... Edward Rogers
Grand finale ...... Entire company.

The members of the club: Bernard James, Bart Mullen, Arthur Bernard, William Blanchard, Charles Sheehan, Arthur Noel, William Donohue, Joseph Carney, Edward Coann, Douglass Smith, Charles Clancy, Frank German, Edward Rogers, Fred Paquette, Edward McCarty, Charles Mattison, Albert Kinnon, William Cooper, Martin McGuire, Frank O'Brien, Denis J. Sullivan, James Foley, Patrick Nevin, Emmet Roberts, A. Corcoran, Edward Shaughnessey, Frank Rogers, Charles Dumont, James Sullivan.

While all performers are entitled to great praise for their fine work, the singing of Messrs. Maguire and Edward Rogers was the feature of the program. Mr. Maguire's sweet tenor voice was never better and his contribution to the program made a great hit with all. Mr. Rogers too was well received and returned to his seat amid the applause of the crowd.

Following the show, general dancing was enjoyed until midnight, with music furnished by Brockett's orchestra.

The officers in charge of the affair were: General manager, Denis J. Sullivan; assistant, Patrick Greene; floor director, Robert Dalton; assistant, Joseph Riley; chief aid, Patrick Nevin; aids, members of chorus. Reception committee, Cornelius J. Sullivan, chairman; John Cryan, Ben J. Inman, Patrick Farrell, John Olney, Chas. Grant, John McFarland, William Kinghorn.

MORE TROOPS COMING HOME

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 8.—A total of 5767 National Guard troops now engaged in border service, including a number of New York organizations at Pharr and McAllen, was yesterday designated by Gen. Funston to go home. He acted under orders from the war department to select between 5000 and 6000 troops for release.

Troops designated to leave the border include Massachusetts Ambulance company No. 1, El Paso.

PHENOMENAL GROWTH OF INDUSTRIAL CENTERS IN CONNECTICUT

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 8.—The phenomenal growth of large industrial centers in Connecticut, due largely to the importation of thousands of workers in great munition factories is indicated in the annual report of the state public utilities commission. During the past year the street railway companies alone carried twelve million more passengers than in 1915. The unusual amount of freight, passenger and express business found the transportation companies unprepared, the report says, with the result that the service was "much below the standard."

"There is reason for series apprehension pertaining to railroad transportation during the coming winter," the report continues. "The companies are still unprepared to handle satisfactorily a volume of business equal to that of the previous year, although to a limited extent they are better equipped."

During the year the public service companies under the commission's jurisdiction, including companies doing business without the state declared dividends of over $53,000,000, an increase for the year of over $5,000,000. The increasing number of accidents calls for a word of warning from the commission. During the year 49 more fatalities and 279 more accidents than in the previous year were reported. Total fatalities were 210 and total accidents 5615.

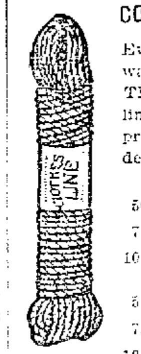
The commission urges a state law requiring the installation of standard advance signs on the line of highways, 300 feet from railroad grade crossings. Only three grade crossings were eliminated during the year. This number was less than required by law, but the eliminations were not ordered because the financial condition of the companies did not warrant such an order.

HOLLAND AND GERMANY IN AGREEMENT

LONDON, Dec. 8. — An Amsterdam despatch to the Times says that the Berlin Vossische Zeitung announces that an agreement has been reached between Holland and Germany regarding the exportation of foodstuffs identical to that existing between Holland and England. The Amsterdam correspondent of the Vossische Zeitung says it is really, if not technically, an agreement between Germany and England whereby both may obtain food from Holland.

The Times correspondent interprets this as meaning that Dutch ships carrying food to England will not be molested by German submarines or seized by destroyers. He adds: "It is part of a wide agreement," and also says that the understanding with Holland provides for the payment of foodstuffs by German treasury notes and bank assignats.

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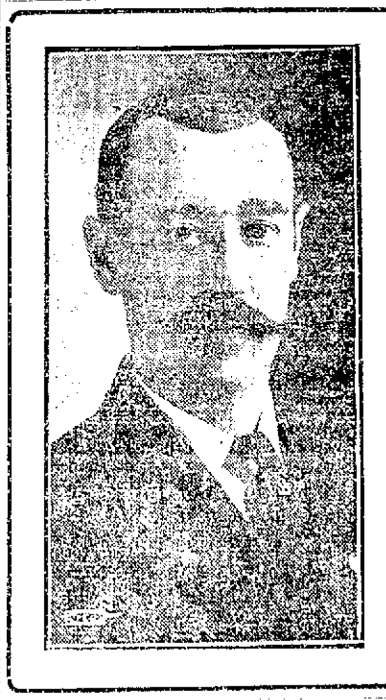
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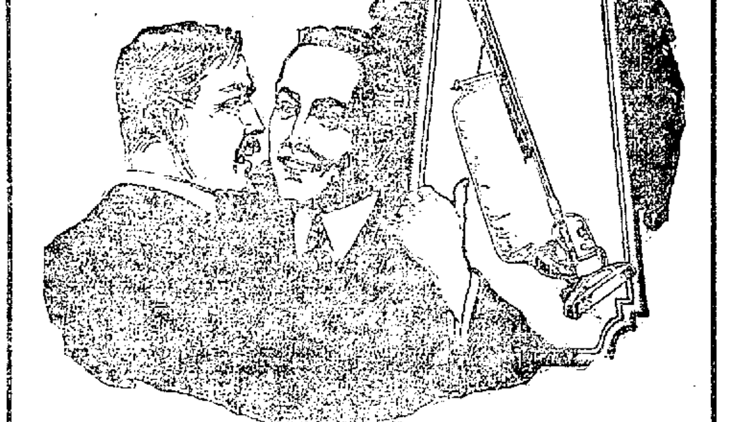
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